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▶ Canucks goalie Matt Climie makes a save on a shot from the Flames' Turner Elson in Calgary yesterday. The Flames beat the Canucks 5-1 at the Saddledome in Game 1 of the pre-season doubleheader, then the Canucks won 4-3 at Rogers Arena in Game 2. More Canucks coverage, page 34.

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## Canucks, Flames split doubleheader

# Cops warn of rising gang tensions

**People connected to the Dhak and Duhre families are believed to be in danger, say police Investigators are concerned that the public could be caught in the crossfire**

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▶ Supt. Tom McCluskie

Two brazen, targeted shootings of known B.C. gangsters in less than a month may be the kindling that sparks renewed gang warfare in the Lower Mainland, say police.

The officer who heads the province's gangs task force issued an "unusual" alert yesterday to anyone with links to two notorious crime families after a known gangster was shot and wounded last week in Surrey.

Supt. Tom McCluskie told reporters both that incident and the high-profile slaying of Red Scorpions gang boss Jonathan Bacon in August amount to a high expectation by his 80 investigators that more attacks are on the way.

"I'm not trying to instil fear in the citizens, but certainly there's enough tension in there that we're concerned there will be a retaliation," he said at a news conference in Delta.

The 24-year-old man shot in his car on Friday was a known member of the Dhak crime group, which police say runs an illegal drug ring throughout the Lower Mainland. One member of that family, Gurmit Dhak, was shot dead in his BMW at a suburban Burnaby mall last October, in another scenario police said was planned.

While the public is not the intended target, McCluskie said, there's no telling where or when the tension will flare up again as gang rivalries rear their head.

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# Irked group quits inquiry

Another wheel has fallen off the Missing Women Commission of Inquiry as Pivot Legal Society announced it wants no part of the proceedings.

Irked by the repeated denial of legal-aid funding to several other Downtown Eastside women, aboriginal and sex-trade organizations, Pivot lawyer Douglas King announced yesterday his group no longer feels "needed or wanted."

"The last thing you want is a public inquiry that doesn't seem fair, and that's what is happening in this case," King said.

He said Pivot would rather focus their resources on community initiatives — one of which they're announcing today — rather than take part in an inquiry where so many stakeholders are denied legal aid by the government.

To date, six groups have withdrawn their participation in the inquiry.

The Missing Women Commission of Inquiry is tasked with looking into the police investigation of serial killer Robert Pickton.

Commission lawyer Art Vertlieb released a statement saying most of the groups given standing at the inquiry will participate once proceedings get underway Oct. 11.

MATT KIELTYKA

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▶ The Flame entertains people outside BC Place during the 2005 Party on the Pacific Grey Cup festival.

# Grey Cup fest greenlit

## Four-day festival to attract more than 250,000 people In light of Staney Cup riot, city demands 'rigorous risk-assessment' of event

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The City of Vancouver gave the go-ahead yesterday for 2011 Grey Cup festival events to take place on city streets.

Council also approved a preliminary budget of up to $250,000 to cover the festival's policing and engineering costs.

In the wake of the June 15 Stanley Cup riot, the city established that festivities for the November football party will be subject to a "rigorous risk-assessment process" and that plans will be approved by the city's large-event oversight committee.

Scott Ackles, Grey Cup festival committee general manager, said the Grey Cup will be nothing like the Stanley Cup.

"It's going to be a lot of fun," Ackles said. "We programmed it for families and hardcore CFL fans .... It's a completely different event. I don't anticipate (a riot) happening."

More than 25,000 out-of-town visitors are expected to come to Vancouver, with the four-day event attracting more than 200,000 people. It's estimated that it will have an economic impact of $100 million.

Unlike the live sites hastily erected during the Canucks' Stanley Cup run, city engineer Peter Judd said Grey Cup festival planning has been in the works for two years.

Also, there will be big-screen TVs at the fan zones. Some of the events will be held indoors and will require tickets, Judd said.

"It provides the best opportunity to control who's coming in and control liquor and provide security," he said.

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# COPE young blood gets ready

## Filipino-Canadian activist beats out longtime public servant for nomination bid in upcoming civic election

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▶ RJ Aquino outside Vancouver City Hall yesterday.

Newcomer RJ Aquino said he's more than ready for the political limelight.

The 30-year-old Filipino-Canadian activist beat out three-term city councillor David Cadman for the Committee of Progressive Electors (COPE) council nomination in the upcoming Vancouver civic election.

Nearly 1,000 COPE members turned up for the nomination Sunday and selected Aquino, sitting councillor Ellen Woodsworth and former councillor Tim Louis. Seven votes separated third-place finisher Aquino and Cadman.

"My feelings ranged from disbelief to relief to excitement," said Aquino, a member of the COPE executive. "I'm excited to work with Ellen and Tim to make sure that we keep a progressive presence at city hall."

If elected, Aquino will become the first city councillor of Filipino descent.

"It would mean a lot to me," he said. "The Filipino community has been encouraging and supportive and I feel blessed to have the community rally behind me."

Aquino is the co-founder of Tuluyan, a group that re-introduces young Filipino-Canadians to their culture, history and heritage.

A protégé of MLA Mable Elmore — B.C.'s first MLA of Filipino descent — Aquino said he will focus on making Vancouver an affordable place for young people to live and work. He also wants to engage young people to vote and be involved in civic and social issues.

"A democracy only works if you participate in it," he said.

# Rally message takes flight in contract talks

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▶ Air Canada flight attendants rally at Vancouver International Airport yesterday.

Vancouver-based flight attendants say they are optimistic about a tentative contract agreement with Air Canada reached yesterday but were reserving judgment until full details are released.

Lorna Holmes, a service director for Air Canada and a vice-president for CUPE Local 4049, said the nationwide rallies most likely impacted the agreement.

"No doubt senior managers saw the media coverage and support we had," of the rallies that were first staged in Halifax and progressed to the West Coast.

The Vancouver rally, which drew about 400 people on a march from Sea Island Canada Line Station to YVR was a strong finish.

Employess dressed in purple, shook banners and signs, and chanted labour slogans and company songs.

"It did wonders to give us such a feeling of pride and unity," Holmes said.

Bargaining issues surrounded workplace safety, wage increases and pension plans.

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## News in brief

### Alleged abductor a high-risk sex offender

Newly released court documents involving the man accused of kidnapping a boy reveal a disturbing snapshot of a high-risk sex offender.

Randall Hopley was convicted in 1985 of sexually assaulting a five-year-old boy and a psychiatric report leading up to his prison release says he was at high risk to reoffend.

The report says Hopley, then 21, refused sex-offender treatment. In 2008, Hopley was convicted of break-and-enter to abduct a 10-year-old boy.

Hopley is undergoing a psychiatric assessment ahead of facing allegations that he abducted three-year-old Kienan Hebert from his bed in Sparwood.

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### Clark plans to bring in more foreign students

Premier Christy Clark wants to increase the number of international students by 50 per cent over the next four years as part of her B.C. Jobs Plan. International students currently bring in $1.25 billion into the provincial economy and create 22,000 jobs a year.

CHELSEA ALTICE

### Tweet the chief

Chief Const. Jim Chu will be answering questions from the public on Twitter and Facebook tomorrow from 7 p.m.

The event, "Tweet the Chief," aims to promote open communication through social media.

The chief said he expects many questions will be about the Stanley Cup riot, but will welcome any topics. CHELSEA ALTICE

# Hey, genius, this is not spam

## University of British Columbia prof Sarah Otto named MacArthur fellow ◗ Award comes with $500,000 grant

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Sarah Otto was just a click away from ignoring the biggest honour of her career.

The University of British Columbia evolutionary geneticist was on sabbatical when she received a secretive email about a prize that begged her to get in touch with the sender as soon as possible.

"It looked like spam to me," Otto, 43, said. "I was just about to delete it when I Googled the sender's name."

But this was no scam, as Otto soon found out the email was from a panellist on the Chicago-based John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, renowned for recognizing geniuses around the world and giving them $500,000 grants — with no strings attached — to help further their research.

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▶ Sarah Otto, 43, a UBC professor and evolutionary geneticist is one of 22 recipients of this year's MacArthur Foundation "genius grants."

Otto, who uses mathematical models to explain evolutionary paths, was instantly catapulted into genius status and is still in shock.

"It's one of those awards that you hear about all the time and are amazed by the people that receive them," she said.

"It's a huge honour and shock, because I'm surrounded by so many creative geniuses in my field and at UBC."

### Grant money

- Otto, who works in the university's zoology department, is already plotting how to use the $500,000 to further her research but isn't ready to reveal her next project just yet.
- There are three criteria for selection of fellows, according to the foundation's website: exceptional creativity, promise for important future advances, and potential for the fellowship to facilitate subsequent creative work.

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# Libyans flee siege in Gadhafi's hometown

**Ex-rebels claim control over much of southern city of Sirte Transitional government says it will press on with rebuilding efforts despite continued fighting**

Families in pickup trucks stacked with mattresses and jugs of water fled Moammar Gadhafi's hometown of Sirte yesterday ahead of an expected new push by revolutionary forces to seize the city, as the anti-Gadhafi forces claimed progress in the battle for a city in the remote southern desert.

A commander of the new government's forces said late yesterday they were in control of most of the Gadhafi desert stronghold of Sabha after a day of fighting. The commander, Bashir Ahwaz, said most of the tribesmen loyal to Gadhafi fled the city instead of putting up a fight, but three of his men and 19 pro-Gadhafi tribesmen were killed.

He said it would take another week for his forces to take control of all of Libya's southern desert and its borders with Algeria and Niger. Several groups of officials from Gadhafi's regime, as well as one of the dictator's sons, have fled to Niger.

Earlier, residents fleeing Sirte said they had been living under a state of siege with Gadhafi's forces preventing them from leaving, while living conditions deteriorated and the city came under constant rocket fire and NATO bombardment. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Canada's role

**Prime Minister Stephen Harper confirmed yesterday his government will ask Parliament to extend the country's military mission in Libya for three more months.**

- Harper expressed confidence that would be enough time to neutralize the threat posed by ousted dictator Moammar Gadhafi, who remains at large.
- Canada's second three-month commitment expires next week.

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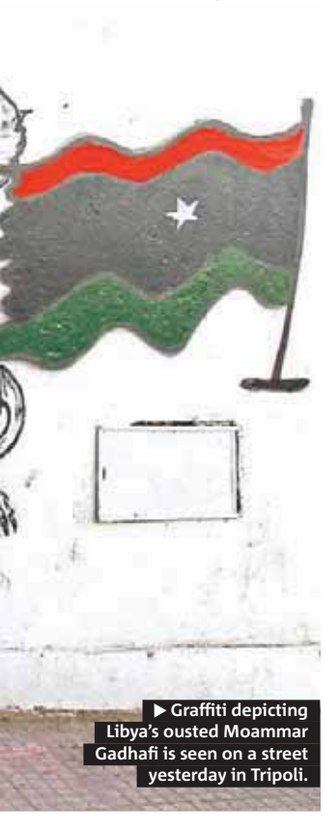

▶ Graffiti depicting Libya's ousted Moammar Gadhafi is seen on a street yesterday in Tripoli.

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▶ A piece of graffiti comments on the Gadhafi regime's oil policy.

# Portraits of an unpopular leader

Libyan graffiti artists are taking advantage of newfound freedom to make fun of ousted leader Moammar Gadhafi on the streets of Tripoli.

For 42 years, the authoritarian leader banned writing or drawing on public walls. Artists are now expressing themselves throughout the capital of two million people, and their favourite topic is Gadhafi and other former members of his regime on storefronts and office buildings.

One picture mocks Gadhafi's habit of calling himself the king of kings of Africa by calling him the "monkey of monkeys of Africa."

Another shows the longtime leader's public relations officer Youssef Shakhir with a rat's tail and holding prayer beads, because people said he always held them in appearances. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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### PETA porn coming soon

**BAWDY.** PETA — People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals — plans to create a pornographic website to promote its animal-rights and vegan-diet message.

PETA aide Lindsay Rajt says the website will feature graphic videos and photographs. She noted PETA has used porn stars and nudity to get its message across in the past.

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### Tory help costs $90,000 a day

**CONSULTANTS.** The Harper government is paying a high-powered management-consultant firm almost $90,000 a day for advice on how to save money.

Deloitte Inc. was hired on Aug. 15 on a $19.8-million contract to advise the federal cabinet and senior officials.

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### When a slur is just a joke

**ONLINE LIMITS.** Is it OK to text a slur? Most young people think it is when friends are joking around with each other, according to a new poll.

The AP-MTV poll shows they don't worry that online slurs could reach a wider audience and get them in trouble.

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# Tory crime crackdown

**Giant justice bill could have a price tag in the billions ◆ Critics say new measures just won't work**

Drugs, refugees, parolees and terrorism.

The Conservative government touched them all when it introduced sweeping new criminal-justice changes yesterday.

But the Tories dismissed the cost to taxpayers and the downward direction of crime trends.

"We're not governing on the basis of the latest statistics," Justice Minister Rob Nicholson said in Brampton, Ont.

"We're governing on the basis of what's right to better protect victims and law-abiding Canadians."

Prime Minister Stephen Harper has moved to make good on an election promise to bundle a series of proposed measures as part of his self-described "tough-on-crime" agenda.

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▶ "Canadians ... deserve to feel safe in their homes," Justice Minister Rob Nicholson said yesterday.

The 110-page omnibus bill tabled in the Commons affects nine pieces of existing legislation including changes to drug laws, youth sentencing, the pardons system, detention of refugees, parole and house arrest and anti-terrorism measures.

The government won praise from victims'-rights groups and at least two provinces.

But critics say the measures are hugely expensive and have been proven ineffective — or worse — over three decades of increasingly draconian "tough-on-crime" campaigns in the United States.

Many of the new provisions will increase the number of offenders facing sentences of less than two years, putting more strain on provincial jails.

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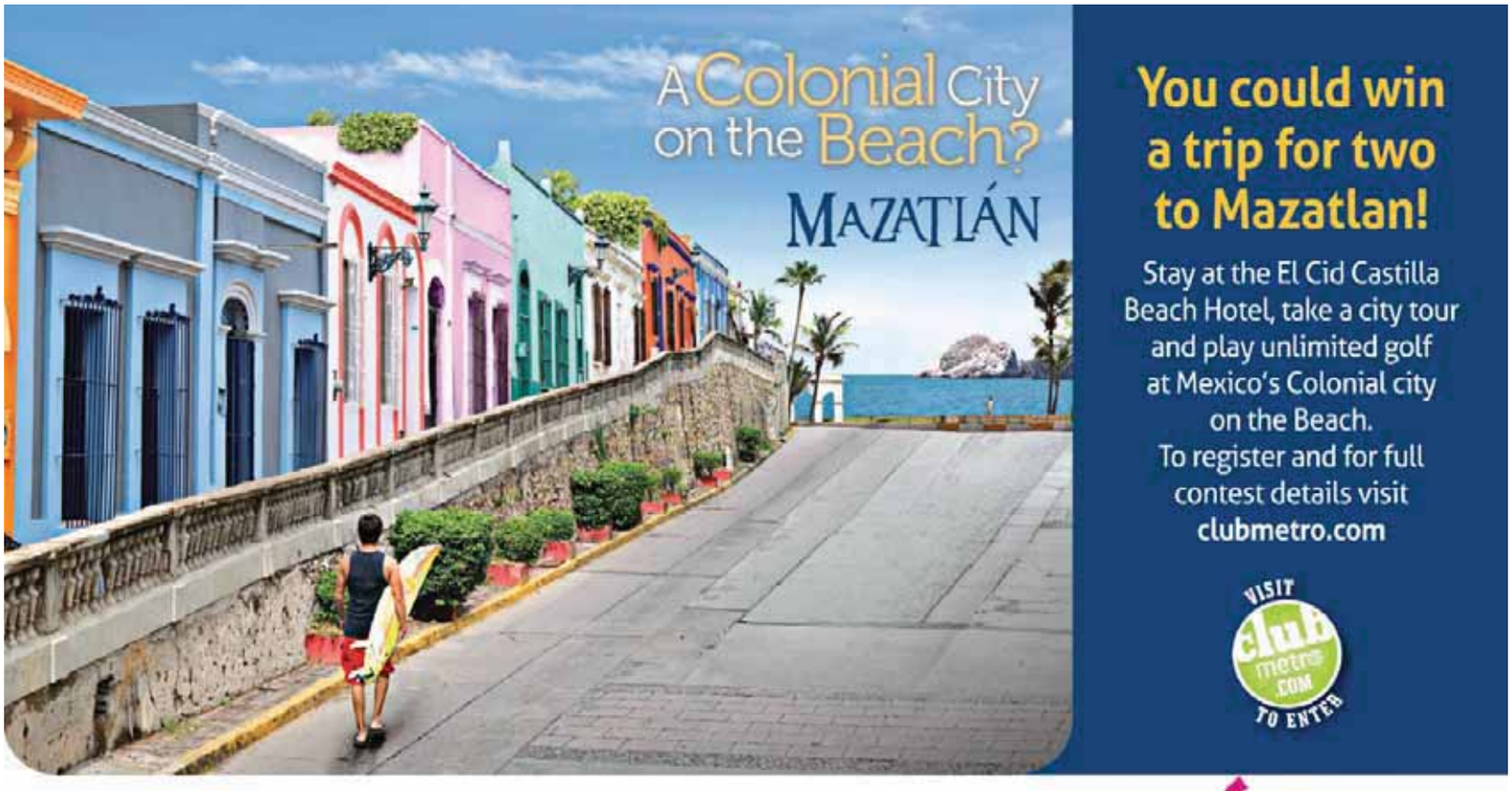
### Going down ...

- Crime rates in both Canada and the United States have been trending downward in near lock-step for at least a decade.
- Many American state governments are attempting to unravel harsh minimum-sentencing provisions and bring in more parole and house-arrest options in an effort to ease the crushing cost of incarceration.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# Incoming! Space junk to hit Earth

## Clapped-out NASA satellite may smash into Canada
## But relax — odds are it'll land in water, experts say

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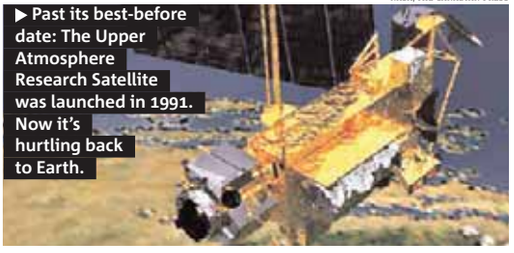

▶ Past its best-before date: The Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite was launched in 1991. Now it's hurtling back to Earth.

An old NASA satellite, about the size of a bus, will come smashing into Earth this week.

But the U.S. space agency says not to worry. The good news is the satellite has an estimated 3,200-to-one chance of killing or injuring someone.

The bad news is the debris could come down in Canada.

Peter Brown of the University of Western Ontario says current trajectory has the satellite landing anywhere between the 57th parallel in the north and 57th parallel in the south.

That means the only places in Canada outside the potential impact zone are the Northwest Territories and the Yukon.

Rest easy: All indications suggest it's most likely to land in water.

"It can't be pinned down very accurately at this stage," Brown said. "Odds are it's coming down over the ocean."

Phil Langill of the University of Calgary says the odds are "very, very good" debris will land in water because the satellite spends most of its time over the oceans.

NASA said the satellite is expected to re-enter the Earth's atmosphere on Friday, "plus or minus a day."

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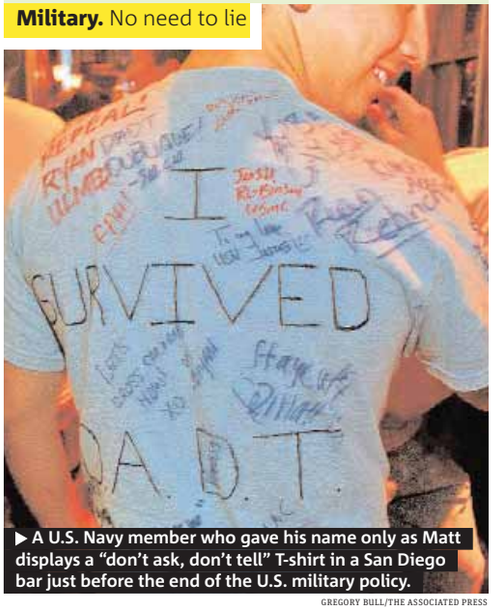
**Military.** No need to lie




▶ A U.S. Navy member who gave his name only as Matt displays a "don't ask, don't tell" T-shirt in a San Diego bar just before the end of the U.S. military policy.

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## U.S. gay ban shot down

**After years of debate, the U.S. military passed a historic milestone yesterday with the repeal of a ban on gays serving openly in uniform. President Barack Obama said the ban had forced gay and lesbian service members to "lie about who they are."**

## Choose a toilet: His, hers or LGBT

There are three toilet options now at a Rio de Janeiro shantytown's samba HQ: His, hers and LGBT (lesbian, bisexual, gay and transsexual).

The president of the Rio samba group says the third option was added at the request of transsexuals. Roberto dos Santos says women didn't like them using their bathroom, but they faced threats if they used the men's.

The group's carnival director, Carlos da Silva, hails the new option. He says people of all sexual orientations are more comfortable this way.

But the head of an LGBT-rights group, Marco Prado, says prejudice should be openly discussed instead of avoided by creating a separate bathroom.

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▶ Air Canada employees rally on Parliament Hill in Ottawa yesterday.

# Air Canada reaches deal

**Details of deal to be released after vote with flight attendants is held**

**Airline was making plans to continue flying if a strike had occurred**

Air Canada has reached a tentative contract deal with the union for its flight attendants, averting a possible strike that would have disrupted operations at Canada's biggest airline.

The Canadian Union of Public Employees said yesterday it is recommending Air Canada's 6,800 flight attendants accept the deal.

"It's business as usual and customers can continue to make their travel plans on Air Canada with confidence," Susan Welscheid, Air Canada's senior vice-president of customer service said.

In August, the Air Canada flight attendants had resoundingly rejected a tentative deal CUPE negotiated with the airline, forcing the two sides back to the drawing board. The key areas of dispute were wages, pensions, crew rest, working conditions and work rules.

CUPE said it will hold meetings of its membership in Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto and Montreal over the next week.

A strike deadline had been set for just after midnight today, though federal Labour Minister Lisa Raitt had warned she would introduce back-to-work legislation.

Minutes after the deal was announced, Labour Minister Lisa Raitt called on union members to ratify the agreement.

"The objective of the legislation that we put on notice yesterday has been achieved and we are so very pleased that air service for Canadians will be protected," she said.

A walkout in June by the airline's customer service agents lasted just three days before a deal was reached under a threat by Raitt that she would legislate them back to work.

The Air Canada deal was announced soon after the two sides resumed face-to-face talks and hours after they broke off negotiations.

It prompted Air Canada's shares to soar more than six per cent, gaining 10 cents to $1.69 in afternoon trading on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

The union held rallies at Parliament Hill in Ottawa and other locations. Sal Occhiuzzi, 54, a flight attendant for 31 years, said workers just wanted a fair deal that will allow them to recover some of the money lost in the last decade.

"We helped the company out when things were tough and we all gave a lot and it's time for the company to give a bit back," he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Tims truly exports itself

Tim Hortons' new Dubai location represents "the first true export of the brand," CEO Paul House said yesterday, but even after the outlet opened its doors to crowds of Canadian expatriates Saturday, the chain is not rushing toward a global presence.

"It's a historic moment," House said.

Though the chain has already opened extensive operations in the U.S., self-serve kiosks in the U.K., and a temporary location at the Kandahar Airfield in Afghanistan, this store is its first full-serve restaurant outside of North America.

The menu is identical and although Dubai is a "mature" coffee market, with many Starbucks, Tims sees opportunity in its value-priced food options not readily available in the region, House said.

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## Governments 'must act swiftly': Bank of Canada

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney is issuing a call to action to governments and laying partial blame on their ineffectual responses so far for taking the world to the precipice of a new recession.

In a hard-hitting speech to a business crowd in Saint John, N.B., Carney said yesterday the combination of sovereign debt worries and bad politics have sapped investor confidence.

"The combination of high debt loads and unpredictable politics is toxic," he said.

The no-nonsense language highlights the importance Carney gives to the upcoming meetings of the G20 finance ministers and International Monetary Fund later this week. But it also underscores the gravity of the situation as he sees it.

Europe's fiscal and debt problems are serious but fixable, but governments must act swiftly to fix them, he said. He said the U.S. is not doomed to suffer another recession, but the risks have clearly risen and squabbling politicians are making matters worse.

While these problems — and solutions — lie mostly outside Canada, Carney said that the Canadian economy will not skirt by unscathed. The economy is being damaged through a tightening of financial conditions and a slowdown in growth, particularly with in the export sector.

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**Projections**

- IMF projected growth for this year to be 2.1 per cent, while downgrading economic expectations for much of Europe and the United States.
- Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney says if a new shock occurs, the Bank of Canada has the tools to boost our economy.

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## Future car drives itself

It can talk, see, drive and no longer needs a human being to control it by remote. The car of the future — completely computer-controlled — is on the streets of Berlin.

All summer, researchers from the city's Free University have been testing the automobile.

The vehicle manoeuvres through traffic on its own using a sophisticated combination of devices, including a computer, electronics and a precision satellite navigation system in the trunk, a camera in the front, and laser scanners on the roof and around the front and rear bumpers.

"The vehicle can recognize other cars on the road, pedestrians, buildings and trees up to 70 metres around it and even see if the traffic lights ahead are red or green and react accordingly," explained Raul Rojas, the head of the university's research group for artificial intelligence.

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▶ A Walmart customer enters a store in Oakland, Calif.

# Walmart takes on Target

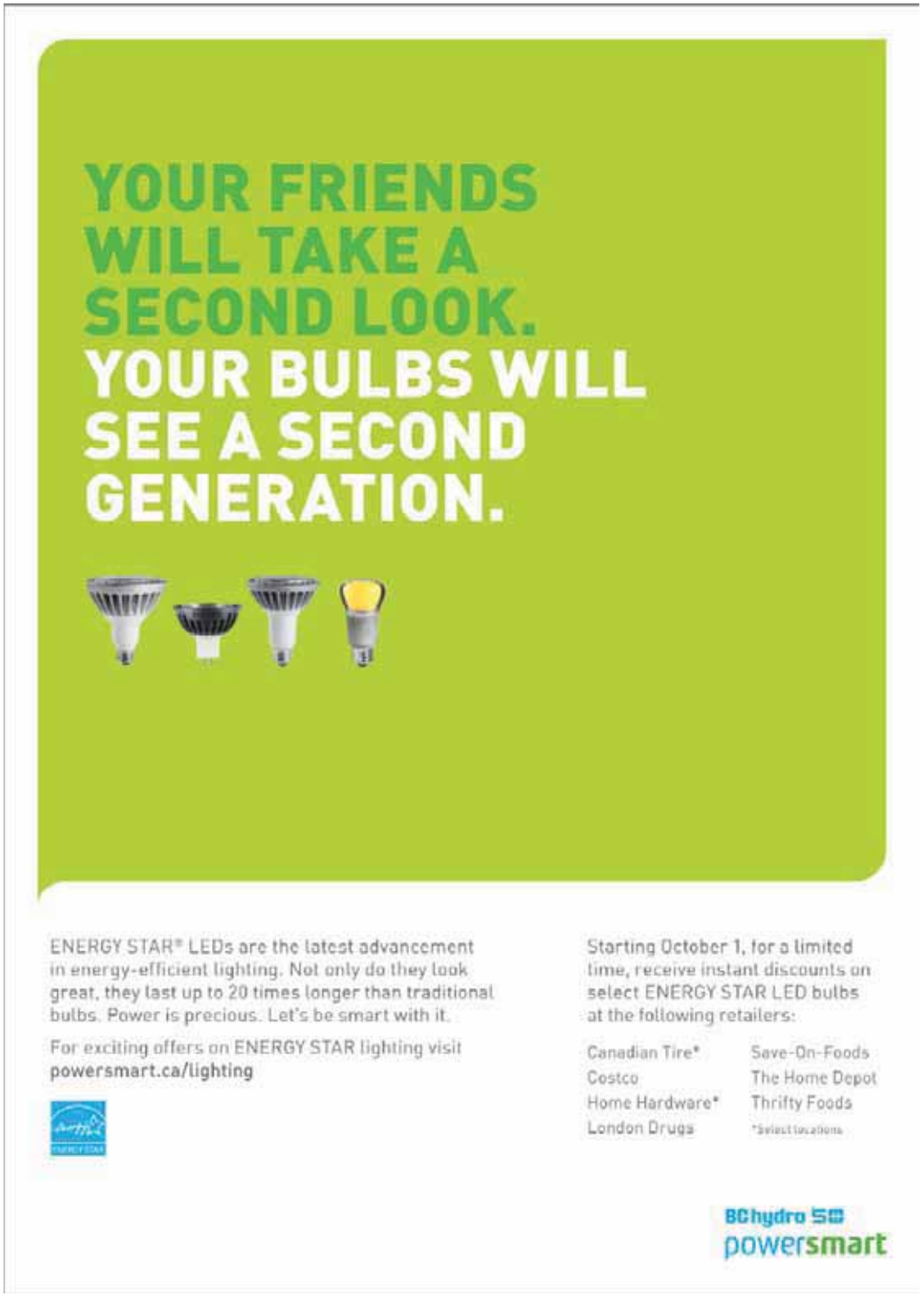
## On average, Walmart keeps prices 10 per cent lower than local rivals

Walmart Canada will target urban shoppers in its purchase of former Zellers stores under a deal with rival Target, as it also ramps up plans for renovations ahead of its competitor's arrival on Canadian soil.

David Cheesewright, chief executive of Walmart Canada, said yesterday the locations of the up to 39 stores it will acquire from Target will be revealed in the next few days.

Although the locations have been passed over by Target under its $1.8-billion deal with Hudson's Bay Co. to acquire the leases for up to 220 Zellers locations, Cheesewright said he's satisfied they are desirable.

"As for Target's 2013 Canadian launch, Cheesewright said Walmart isn't threatened because the retail landscape is already ultra-competitive. He does concede that Walmart will "make a few tactical tweaks." THE CANADIAN PRESS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# Canada's landlines getting scarcer

Several million Canadians will have only cellphone service by the end of the year as they increasingly ditch their more expensive landline telephones, suggests a new study.

About one in seven households — or two million in total — will have just cellphones by the end of 2011, the Convergence Consulting Group said yesterday.

"This is happening because prices have come down so radically," said Brahm Eiley, co-founder of the consulting firm.

Established wireless carriers Rogers, BCE and Telus started cutting prices on their discount-brand cellphones in 2008 — in some cases by more than 50 per cent, Eiley said.

New players like Wind Mobile, Mobilicity and Public Mobile have also added "all-you-can-eat" voice plans, he said.

Such trends are common in Europe, the U.S. and other parts of the world, with many younger consumers. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## Italy's rating downgraded

Standard & Poor's cast more doubt over the stability of both Italy's government and its finances yesterday, when it downgraded its credit rating and cited political weakness as key risks.

The Italian government criticized the downgrade as politically motivated. Authorities in the U.S. and the European Union have also done so, angered by what they consider to be counterproductive. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# GINGER-SPERM BAN TURNING SOME HEADS

## JUST SAYIN' ...

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Redheads are special.

I know. I've been married to one for 33 years come Oct. 6. They're fiery, fierce, funny and fantastic. The air crackles as they walk down the street. Some even come with an added bonus: freckles. I defy anyone to resist the charms of a fat-faced, green-eyed, red-headed moppet adorned with freckles.

It can't be done.

So what's with the world's largest sperm bank, the Danish firm of Cryos International, turning red-headed donors away? Apparently the demand for green-eyed red-headed moppets adorned with freckles has dropped off, except in Ireland, where red-headed sperm sells like hotcakes according to the director, some guy named Ole (not to be confused with Olé, which ain't Danish).

The Irish breed as many redheads as four-leaf clovers, but there are also up to 18 million redheads in the U.S.A., and Scotland is the epicentre, where 13 per cent of the population sports a carrot top. But as the petri dish becomes the next cradle of humanity and people can choose their hue, redheads are in danger of being engulfed in a colour-biased wave of brown, black and blond.

**"Red-headed babies have an immediate high profile. It's impossible for them to blend in, to become part of the faceless crowd, as they shine like a copper star wherever they go. Most parents are inherently conservative. They don't want to raise kids who stand out just by standing there."**

The problem is obvious. Red-headed babies have an immediate high profile. It's impossible for them to blend in, to become part of the faceless crowd, as they shine like a copper star wherever they go. Most parents are inherently conservative. They don't want to raise kids who stand out just by standing there.

Why else would you name your kid Madison? Because all the others kids are called Madison.

You can't call a redhead Madison. That's a brunette name. A redhead is called Fergie, or maybe Gus. And definitely Colleen.

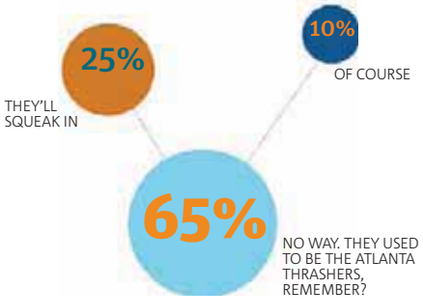
Take it from me. As you can tell from the photo that accompanies this column, I should be considered completely neutral on matters of hair. I'd be happy to have some, period. I dimly remember having brown hair, which clogged the drain for a few years before making an early exit. I think I'm what they call Black Irish, which is ridiculous as 99 per cent of me is pink, especially with prolonged exposure to the sun. Most redheads aren't so good in the sunlight either, as they don't need the competition.

We simply can't allow redheads to be eclipsed by reproductive science (talk about an oxymoron). We should all join the Red Headed League: Redheads of the world unite! It's time to stick up for the right to stick out.

*Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying*

## Register at metropolitanpanel.ca and take the quick poll

**Do you think the Winnipeg Jets will make the playoffs in their first season?**




## Local tweets

**We asked: What does 2031 look like to you?**

- **@Corel Chick:** no body contact hockey, average lifespan of human 120, green cars r the norm, climate shift #metrofuture
- **@AltheWhite:** #metrofuture 2031. #Leafs playoff drought now longer than avg Americans' life expectancy. #help
- **@QueenofGhetto:** #metrofuture looks scary & hairy. 203: I'll be in full scale menopause and my yet to be born kids on the brink of greatness!
- **@miccaliciousss:** I fear the future yet hope for the best. I want humans to move forward and make the right decisions for this Earth. #metrofuture go green !
- **@kevinmcdougald:** North America will feel distinctly insecure in 2031 as Asia takes over as the world's most important continent. #metrofuture
- **@regtiangha:** Power lace shoes will be standard. Not like the almost-but-not-quite-complete 2011 NIKE Mag. #metrofuture #bttf

## Worth Mentioning

**AVATAR.** The Walt Disney Co. said yesterday it has agreed on an exclusive deal to build attractions based on James Cameron's Avatar at its theme parks, starting with its Animal Kingdom park in Orlando, Fla.

Construction is set to begin in 2013 and is expected to be finished about three years after that.

The Avatar attraction is to be an immersive land spanning several acres and will cost less than half of the estimated $1 billion US it cost to expand Disney California Adventure Park, or around $400 million US.

CEO Bob Iger made the announcement at a news conference yesterday.

Cameron, who is working on the second and third instalments of the top-grossing film of all time, said the attractions would be a way to bring the lush world of Pandora to life, and would include animatronics and potential multimedia shows that use 3-D and holographic technology.

"This is a pretty darned exciting project," Cameron told reporters.

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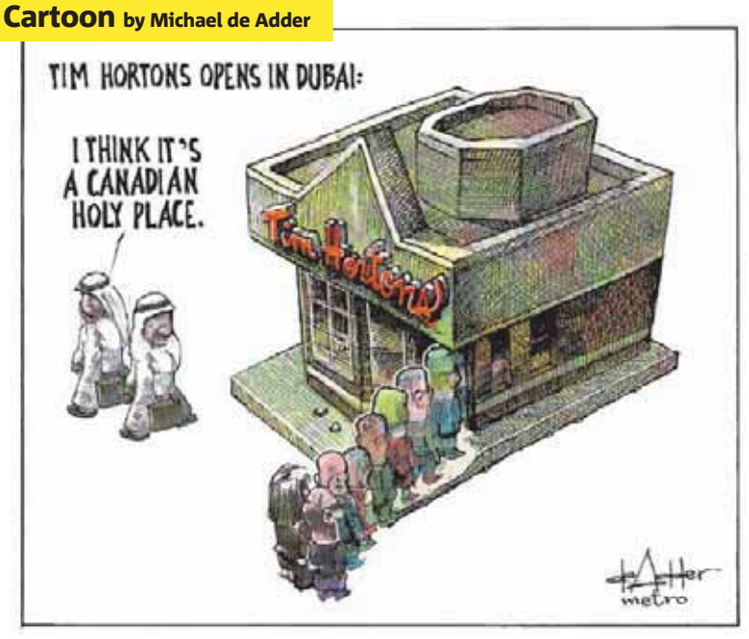


WEIRD NEWS

## Something missing in the audience ... oh yeah, men

Turkey has come up with a radical solution for tackling crowd violence at soccer matches: ban the men and let only women and children in.

Under new rules approved by Turkey's soccer association, only women and children under the age of 12 will be admitted to watch games — for free — involving teams which have been sanctioned for unruly behaviour by their fans.

Yesterday, women formed long lines around Fenerbahce's Sukru Saracoglu stadium.

The game kicked off with Fenerbahce and Manisaspor players hurling flowers at the spectators. The visiting team was greeted with applause, instead of the usual jeering.

Fenerbahce was sanctioned by the association in July following trouble by fans who also attacked journalists for what they regarded as critical coverage of a match-fixing probe that involves the league champion.

Fenerbahce president Aziz Yildirim is among 30 suspects detained in the case.

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Taylor Lautner looks to shed his werewolf image with his first solo project
The teen heartthrob promises to keep our pulses racing in his new flick

# The 'next Tom Cruise'

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HANDOUT

▶ Up and coming actors Taylor Lautner and Lily Collins star in Abduction.

If you ever find yourself searching for the room where you're scheduled to interview Taylor Lautner, look for the one with the duo of hulking security guards suspiciously eyeing every room service attendant or housekeeper that walks down the hall. That's the place.

It makes sense that Lautner would need to take certain precautions given that he's been an international megastar since the age of 16, thanks to a little something called Twilight.

Now at the ripe old age of 19, with his time as werewolf Jacob Black wrapped on the final installment of the series and set to come to an end in November 2012, Lautner is looking to grow from teen idol to leading man with his first solo project, Abduction, an action adventure helmed by John Singleton.

As grateful as Lautner is for the success of the Twilight franchise, one has to wonder if he isn't more than a little excited to escape certain byproducts of the series' success, like the hysterical screaming teens that swarm him wherever he goes.

Asked if he ever grows weary of hearing shrieks, he shakes his head.

"I love that noise," he smiles. "We feed off of their energy. When we walk into a room, an auditorium or a red carpet and there's thousands of fans screaming, it really gets us pumped. I remember the first time we ever heard it was at Comic Con for Twilight and we were like, 'Whoa! What is going on?' But now we're kind of used to it. We love it."

Leaving the Twilight series behind and embarking on more mature roles, Lautner has been hailed as "the next Tom Cruise," a distinction he embraces with a "Gee, shucks, me?" attitude.

"Tom Cruise has been my idol my entire life. I love his career path, his choices, so to have a tenth of the career Tom Cruise has had would be a dream for me," he offers shyly.

One thing Cruise and Lautner have in common, besides those delightfully toothy grins, is a love of performing their own stunts.

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TAYLOR LAUTNER

As an accomplished martial artist, Lautner is extremely physically capable and was thrilled to tackle the action sequences of Abduction, which included boxing, riding on the hood of a careening car and sliding down the sheer glass face of an escalator overhang.

"When I hear about the stunts that my character is going to do, I want to do them myself," Lautner beams.

"Selfishly, they sound fun, but our goal with this movie was to make it seem as real and grounded as possible and it always helps when the real actors are doing the stunts."

### Film synopsis

▶ **Abduction is** "a thriller centred on a young man who sets out to uncover the truth about his life after finding his baby photo on a missing persons website," according to IMDB.

### Scene in brief

Canadian singer J.D. Fortune says he's no longer a member of the band INXS and that the split is amicable. In a post on his blog yesterday, Fortune says he was not fired and didn't quit, but that the band will continue without him. He says he's now developing "several exciting projects as a solo artist."
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# 'A different type of relationship'

CONTRIBUTED

▶ Harry Connick Jr. gets wet.

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Harry Connick Jr. says working with his co-star everyday was "really incredible."

He's not talking about Morgan Freeman or Ashley Judd, although he enjoyed spending time on set with them.

No, he's referring to Winter, the titular star of his new film Dolphin's Tale.

Winter is the real-life inspiration of the story of a bottlenose dolphin whose tail was lost in a crab trap.

Rescued and rehabilitated by the folks at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium, the giant marine mammal was equipped with a prosthetic tail which allows it to swim normally.

"I've been around dolphins before but there is something different about her. I guess it's because she's been so ultra socialized, she's been around so many different people since she was months old that maybe there is a different type of relationship she has with humans. I'm not sure. There is something you can feel. It's pretty cool."

New HBO documentary shines a rare light on influential Hispanics in The Latino List

## Enjoy reading our final winning favourite road trip story.

**The year? 1972. Me?**

In college and on summer break. I'd just bought a brand new Honda - those were the days when you met "the nicest people on a Honda". I never told my folks I had a bike. Back then hordes of kids hit the road each summer and hitchhiked across the country. I was not going to be the exception but for the fact that I intended to ride my bike from Montreal to Ucluelet BC – I wanted to see the Nanaimo bathtub races, ride through the Rockies, tough it out as I crossed the Prairies and more, camping along the way. I left Montreal on a hot July morning – my parents thought I was going to be taking the train to Toronto – but I'd secreted my bike near the station. I spent eight weeks camping, exploring, staying in youth hostels and working at odd jobs to earn expense money while making my way across the country. I met great people, saw every inch of the westward Trans-Canada Highway, saw wildlife and met aboriginals, stayed on the nude beach at Wreck Bay and had the time of my life as I explored the nooks and crannies of our great country. Some of my very fondest memories are of the sights and sounds from almost every corner of Canada and to this day I ride motorcycles and try to take a summer road trip, carrying on the tradition I started some 39 years ago.

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# Defining an 'X Factor'

**Simon Cowell looks for the next generation of singing stars on his new reality competition**
**Why this isn't an American Idol clone**

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Simon Cowell, the ever-confident reality guru, is calling it now: The X Factor is going to be a huge hit.

"You do it because you want to be number one. "You don't enter something for the silver medal." the TV producer/judge says of his expectations to not only meet the success of American Idol with his new venture, but surpass it.

"We're going to try and make it the best show on TV."

There's a lot on the line for the new talent competition, another singing contest Cowell has imported from Britain.

The winner is guaranteed $5 million cash in addition to a recording contract and a Pepsi-sponsored commercial to run during the Super Bowl.

"If I didn't think that the talent was worth $5 million in America, I wouldn't have made the show in America," the famously direct Brit says.

Despite its pedigree, Cowell insists that this is not an Idol clone. The X Factor is open to both solo artists and groups, ages 12 and up.

Contestants will be broken up into four categories: girls ages 12 and 30, boys ages 12 and 30, individuals over 30, and groups.

Also, the judges panel — including Cowell, Idol mate Paula Abdul, former Pussycat Doll Nicole Scherzinger and record producer L.A. Reid — will serve as mentors.

"We see this as a game-changer," Cowell says. "We're going to try and find a completely different kind of contestant. Our job as judges is to find people who've got star quality, and turn them into stars. And I've got a panel who can do that."

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▶ Nicole Scherzinger, left, Steve Jones, Simon Cowell, Paula Abdul and L.A. Reid are judge-mentors on X Factor. The show premieres tonight on CTV.

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# ‘Hey, I’m Jonah and I’m in this movie. ...I hope you accept me.’

**Hill talks about his dramatic turn in Moneyball and his dramatic weight loss He regrets that the second story is not that interesting**

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▶ Brad Pitt, left, and Jonah Hill star in Moneyball.

Jonah Hill is understandably a little hoarse when we meet up with him at the Four Seasons Hotel in Boston. The night before, he had been partying with the staff of the Harvard Lampoon in nearby Cambridge. “Oh my gosh, one of the best nights of my entire life,” he says.

He gets a little starry eyed. “It was very inspirational because not only have a lot of the great comedy writers of our time and before passed through there and were a part of that organization, but it was inspirational and moving in that I always felt like, displaced a lot. Because there weren’t very many film people or comedy people really in my high school and college was kind of the same. I just would have felt so at home there. I got the feeling that gosh, I just felt like I would have thrived in that environment.”

Regardless of oppressive environments of his past, Hill is thriving. He is starring in his first dramatic role, playing opposite Brad Pitt in the film adaptation of Michael Lewis’ 2003 book, Moneyball.

**I know you must be sick of talking about your weight, but could you give me a Cliffs-Notes’ version?**

I completely understand people’s interest in it. I went to a nutritionist. I wanted to be healthier. It’s really as simple as that. It’s not that talking about it bothers me; it’s just how uninteresting my answers are. I wish I had something more interesting to say.

**At the Video Music Awards you made a crack that “people keep saying, ‘now that you’ve lost weight, you’re probably not funny anymore.’” And then you go and do a dramatic film!**

I just like all kinds of movies. To me it’s about making good movies. I’m lucky enough to spend my life doing this, and I’d like to it when I’m an old man. I’d like to have a few DVDs — or whatever space technology they have — to show to my grandkids and go, ‘This is what I spent my life doing.’ Hopefully there’s three or four in there that are just worthy of having said I spent my life doing something...

**At what point did you know you wanted to try a drama?**

I think I’ve always wanted to take this turn — it just had to be the right thing. ... With all these talented people, I mean it was a no brainer. The truth is I feel very similar right now at this moment in my career to how I did when Superbad was coming out, because Superbad was my introduction to people. I was this underdog, an unlikely star. I was not famous and I was the star of this big motion picture.

I was saying ‘Hey, I’m Jonah. I’m in this movie. I’d like to do more of this and I hope you accept me.’ And I got really lucky and it was really popular. But now when I’m in a comedy, you hear, “Jonah Hill is in a comedy,” and it’s not unexpected anymore. It’s completely expected, and I feel grateful and lucky for that.

So now I feel the same way because I’m re-introducing myself by saying ‘Hey, I’m Jonah and I’m in this different kind of movie that you’re definitely not used to seeing me in, a different kind of performance. And I’d like to do more of this and I hope you accept me.’

## MATH IN MOVIES IN FOCUS

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Two plus two equals four isn’t really a compelling idea for the plot of a movie, but filmmakers have often turned to mathematics as the basis for a story.

The Coen Brothers focused an entire film around the Uncertainty Principle in Quantum Mechanics.

In A Serious Man Prof. Larry Gopnik (Michael Stuhlbarg) teaches his classes the principle, but desperately wants to believe, despite the equation, that life makes sense.

It’s not a movie about wave-particle duality and the DeBroglie hypothesis — it’s a very human story about a man searching for answers — but the math is crucial to the story.

The same holds true for Moneyball, the new Brad Pitt movie opening this weekend.

The story of a baseball team’s general manager who uses algorithms and computer-generated analysis called sabermetrics to draft his players isn’t strictly about the math, but the story wouldn’t be the same without it.

A Beautiful Mind shows how mathematician John Nash, played by Russell Crowe in the role that won him an Oscar, would visualize math problems in order to identify patterns and solve equations.

The Hangover uses a similar trick. At a Las Vegas casino Alan (Zach Galifianakis) counts cards at a blackjack table as mathematical equations appear on the screen.

In reality none of the equations — like the Fourier theory of additive synthesis — have anything to do with cheating at cards, but it’s a funny scene that inspired the Facebook page “Alan from The Hangover makes math seem AWESOME.”

The Da Vinci Code famously uses the Fibonacci sequence — 1 - 1 - 2 - 3 - 5 - 8 - 13 - 21 — as a key to unlock the movie’s mystery and Cube sees people trapped in a giant cube with mathematic problems as clues to their salvation.

The John Astin comedy Evil Roy Slade features some frontier math. Schoolteacher Betsy asks Roy, “If you had six apples and your neighbour took three of them what would you have?”

“A dead neighbour and all six apples,” he replies.

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# Sheen changes his tune

**Troubled actor is being pretty nice about his old show — could it have to do with his sweet payout?**

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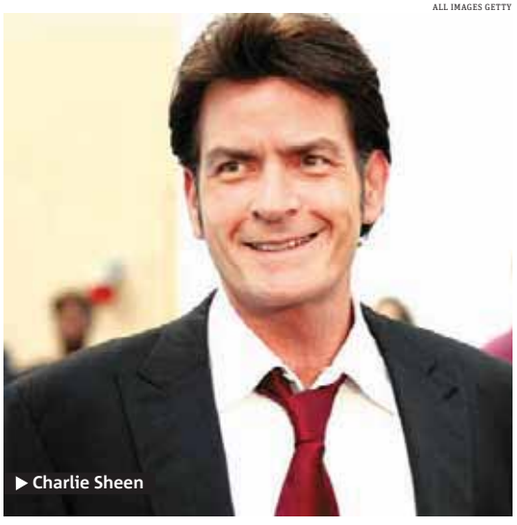
▶ Charlie Sheen

Charlie Sheen has been making nice with his former show, Two and a Half Men — offering kind words at the Emmys and tweeting about watching the season 9 premiere — and now we know why.

Sheen has reached a settlement with Warner Bros. over his dismissal from the show earlier this year, and according to TMZ the actor will get an immediate $25 million payout, plus about $100 million in syndication profits over the next 10 years.

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# 'I often dream of quitting acting': Michelle Williams

Despite the acclaim she's been receiving for her upcoming films, Michelle Williams admits she's been fantasizing about leaving acting behind.

"I often dream of quitting acting. Walking away and becoming a laundress or a sous chef, or maybe writing other people's love letters for a living," Williams tells Hobo magazine.

"Clearly, I don't like to be in charge."

But don't go writing the My Week with Marilyn star off just yet, as she admits that "thinking of quitting is just keeping going in disguise." METRO

▶ Michelle Williams

# Sarah Hyland dukes it out with fans of Glee star on Twitter

Modern Family star Sarah Hyland has found herself in a war of words on Twitter with fans of Glee star Lea Michele after Hyland mocked Michele's red carpet poses while guest-hosting Fashion Police on the E! network.

"I did not intend for my comments to be taken in a malicious way. But I did hate the dress. Called her ass great. Did you all hear that one?"

Hyland tweeted in response to rabid Michele fans, who also accused Hyland of being jealous of Michele's success.

"In no way am I jealous of Lea Michelle," Hyland shot back.

"I'm happy with my own life and am not jealous of anyone else's in the world."

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▶ Sarah Hyland

▶ Lea Michele

## Celebrity tweets

@charliesheen
Surrounded by friends and watching the premier of Two and a Half Men. Odd... But cool..! So far a lot of laughs!! Nice...

@JuddApatow

Tomorrow is the last day of our shoot of This Is Forty. It has suddenly gotten very sad around here. I am proud of our team. We gave our all

@SarahKSilverman

Let's all make a pact to stop dressing our toddlers in sexy outfits

@Slash

Watched Bridesmaids for the 2nd time on the way back to LA. Even better the 2nd time. Easily best comedy of the year.

# Entourage will hit big screen

There's been speculation about an eventual Entourage movie now that the HBO series has ended, and executive producer Mark Wahlberg is happy to confirm it.

"Yes, for sure. Yes," he tells Hollyscoop when asked if the jump to the big screen is taking place. Wahlberg says that all the events of the series finale leave the characters "teed up for a movie."

There's no word on when the film would go into production at this time.

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▶ Mark Wahlberg

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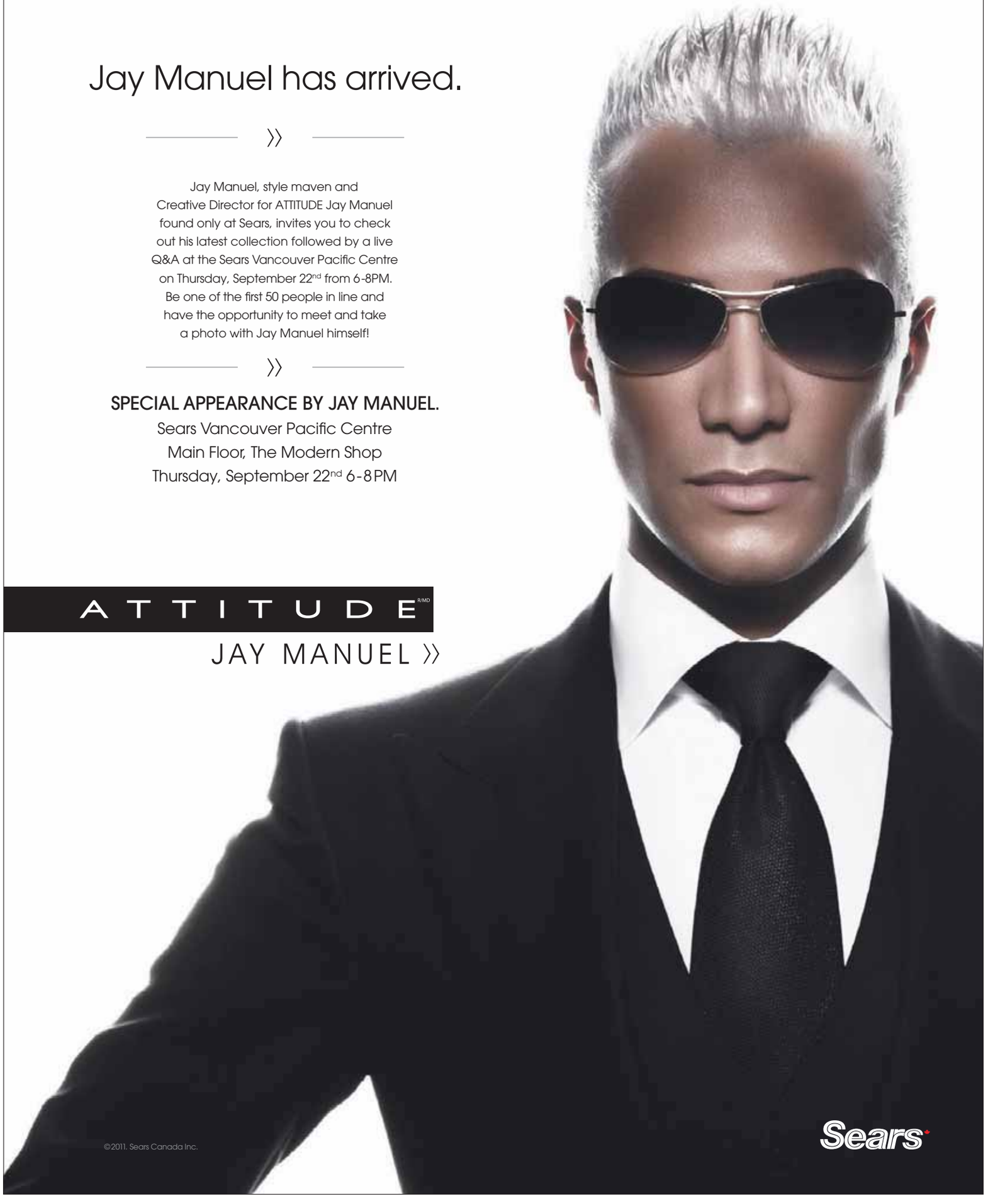

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## Travel in brief

Google is elevating the quality of its search results for airline tickets. Its revised approach to airfare queries appeared Tuesday in a newly opened "flights" section of Google.com. It provided the first glimpse at how Google intends to use the tools it picked up from its $676 million purchase of leading airline fare tracker ITA Software.

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After taking top prize on TV show, chef serves winning meal at restaurant.

# Let loose in the Arizona desert

**Are you ready to defy the crisp days of autumn? Extend summer with an awe-inspiring trip to Arizona and the Sierra Ancha**

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Your first day in Arizona, in the heart of the Sierra Ancha's stones, try gearing up with a wetsuit and a helmet to inspect the Salome Canyon underworld. Scramble and swim in some of the most spectacular natural playgrounds in the world. At times down in the canyon, you will be able to touch both granite walls rising 200-feet above you and rappel a 40-feet rushing waterfall.

Spend a divine night at the luxury Royal Palms Resort and Spa, and wake up early to climb the Camelback Mountain in Phoenix. Imagine the sensation of making one with the mountain, of floating like a bold eagle above the rocks while admiring the sunrise on the city. Take the afternoon to go deeper in the Sonora desert and hike among the boulders.

Get on your mountain bike on the third day and race among cacti and other unwelcoming, yet beautiful spiky trees in McDowell Regional Park. Make sure not to step on a rattlesnake or a tarantula nest; they abound in the area. Unwind in the afternoon, kayaking on the gentle stream of the Salt River, where you might come across wild mustangs.

On day four, you will board a Cessna (a four-seater plane) to fly over the Grand Canyon. In the Grand Canyon National Park, sore muscles permitting, you will embark on a 1200-foot descent down the canyon. It's a spectacular trek through more than 40 million years of geological history.

Save a day to drive down to Tucson and live among cowboys for a while at the White Stallion Ranch.

### If you go

- **Canyoneering, climbing:** 360-adventures.com
- **Mountain biking, kayaking, hiking:** aoa-adventures.com
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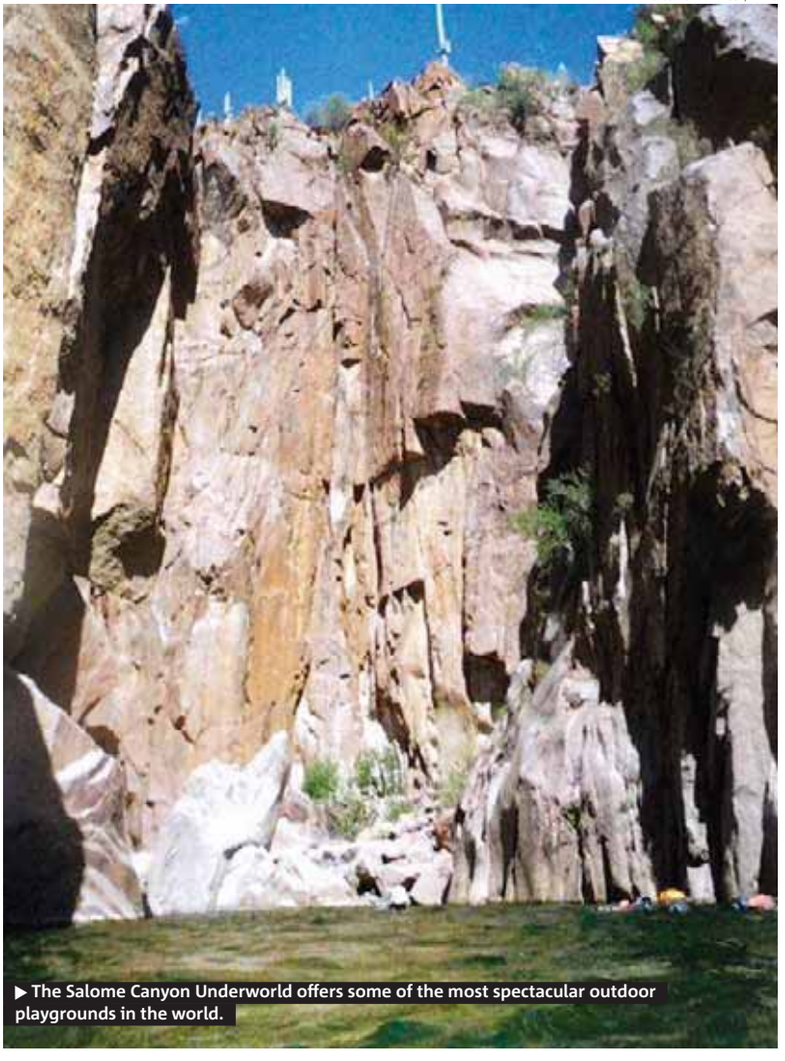

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## NEWCOMERS' GUIDE TO THE CITY

A fall festival is a great way to learn about food, culture and how to have fun

# Autumn adventures

TEXT BY STEPHANIE ORFORD AND YLVA VAN BUUREN

### MOUNT PLEASANT HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sept. 24, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**WHY WE LOVE IT:** This free street party extraordinaire shuts down a whole block outside the Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House.

**WHAT IS IT:** The festival showcases arts and culture with live bands (including a Juno-nominated latin jazz group called Rumba Calzada), games, raffle, silent auction, and snacks. All proceeds go to the Mount Pleasant Neighbourhood House. Inside, there's lots to do as well, including a new interactive kids' playground that includes handmade instruments and games.

**WHERE IS IT?:** 800 E. Broadway, Vancouver, at Prince Albert St. Accessible via the #9 bus. (mpnh.org/harvest_festival/)

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▶ Check out a fall festival to learn more about how food is grown.

### DON'T MISS

Salt Spring Island's annual Apple Festival is being held Oct. 2. Between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., everyone's invited to sample different types of apples, learn about organic gardening, see photography and paintings of apples and enjoy apple-related theatrical performances, for example an actor dressed as Johnny Appleseed telling a story. Tickets: adults $10, students $5, children under 12 free. To get there, take a ferry from the B.C. Ferries terminal in Taawwassen. (saltspringmarket.com/apples)

### STANLEY PARK HALLOWEEN GHOST TRAIN

Oct. 7 to Oct. 31

**WHY WE LOVE IT:** Every Halloween, the miniature train in Stanley Park gets transformed into the Ghost Train — and it's lots of spooky fun!

**WHAT IS IT:** As you ride the train through the forest, you watch creepy scenes unfold. This year's theme, Circus of Disaster, was designed by Vancouver's Mortal Coil Performance Society. There's also face painting, crafts, pumpkin carving, costume contests and the Haunted Maze included in the ticket price. Adults $9.82, children $6.25 plus taxes. (ghosttrain.ca/)

**WHERE IS IT:** Stanley Park. TransLink connections from downtown include the #19.

### NIKKEI FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL

Oct. 1, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**WHY WE LOVE IT:** Sushi is so popular in Vancouver... and here's a way to learn a little bit more about the culture from which it came!

**WHAT IS IT:** The harvest festival presents a delicious and interesting array of Japanese vegetables and foods. Be sure to sample baked goods like manju, a steamed cake, and preserves such as umeboshi, which are Japanese salty pickled plums. Take a guided tour of the Centre as well to see what types of programs are provided such as arts and sports programs. Admission is free.

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# Take a walk on Atlantic City's Boardwalk

**Life-sized Monopoly board and Boardwalk Empire facade are big tourist hits in Atlantic City**

Do not pass the casinos if you want to collect $200 – or more.

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Atlantic City is using life-sized promotions exhibits capitalizing on its first-in-the-nation Boardwalk to try to drive new business into its casinos, where patrons can also lose $200 — or more.

Bally's Atlantic City has constructed a large outdoor replica of the Monopoly board, complete with oversized dice, green houses, red hotels and game pieces such as the silver car.

Tourists are encouraged to walk on it, and many stop to take photos on or in front of it.

"You hear all your life about how Monopoly is based on Atlantic City and you play the game all your life, and now we're actually here, on the real Boardwalk!" said Shirley Theal of Niagara Falls, Ont.

She and two travelling companions were walking on the Monopoly board Tuesday morning.

Of course, the main goal is to get more people to come into the casinos and gamble.

Don Marrandino, eastern division president of Caesars Entertainment, which owns four Atlantic City casinos including Bally's, said it has seen an uptick on Boardwalk foot traffic into the casino since the Monopoly board went up Sept. 1.

The board is tied in to a Monopoly-themed promotion inside the casino in which players and club members collect game pieces for a shot at $500,000.

"We're getting a great customer response to it," he said.

As any Monopoly player can tell you, Boardwalk and Park Place are the priciest real estate on the game board.

The real-life game board is located, not coincidentally, at Boardwalk and Park Place. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

▶ Visitors can try their luck collecting $200 at the casinos in Atlantic City.

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▶ Atlantic city is relying on attractions on its boardwalk to drive visitors into its casinos.

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## Boardwalk Empire

A bit further south on the Boardwalk is a life-sized replica of the storefronts that appear in the hit HBO series Boardwalk Empire. The series depicting Prohibition-era Atlantic City begins its second season later this month, and Atlantic City has created several promotions to try to capitalize on the nationwide publicity the show is generating for the gambling resort.

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# Dairy delights

**Head to Wisconsin and let your taste buds lead you on a cheesy tour of the dairy land of the United States**

Only at an airport in Wisconsin can the phrase "half my bag is cheese" attract nothing more than a shrug.

But in the Dairy Land these days, there's a lot of cheese to be had and tourists are eating it up.

The state's milk marketing board keeps adding more dairies on its cheese map for tourists who want to tour the state on a sojourn of cheese. Last year they distributed some 220,000 maps listing more than 115 dairies and creameries. When the next map goes out next year, it will have some 130 listings.

Here's the cheesy take on where to go, what to eat and how to get it home.

### The Cheese Map

The Wisconsin Milk Marketing Board's map of the state with 116 cheesemakers and retail stores, is a great way to begin planning. They list where you can find the country's only licensed Limburger maker (Chalet Cheese Cooperative in Monroe, Wis.), and other places to visit in every part of the state. You can order a map from their website, or print one out at eatwisconsincheese.com/wisconsin/travelers-guide.aspx.

### Farmers markets

Instead of visiting the dairies, you can let the cheesemakers come to you. Wisconsin has a wealth of farmers markets all throughout the state that draw farmers, cheesemakers and artisans from the area.

The Dane County Farmers' Market — dcfm.org — is the biggest farmers market in the state, and also claims to be the biggest in the country.

At any rate, the market along the perimeter of the state capitol is a mind-boggling array of 300 vendors of fresh cheese, produce, crafts and more. There are often so many people you have to walk in one direction. Even in the winter, the market is still held. The indoor market is much smaller, but just as delicious.

For a full listing of farmers markets in Wisconsin, visit savorwisconsin.com/events/farmersMarketEvents.aspx.

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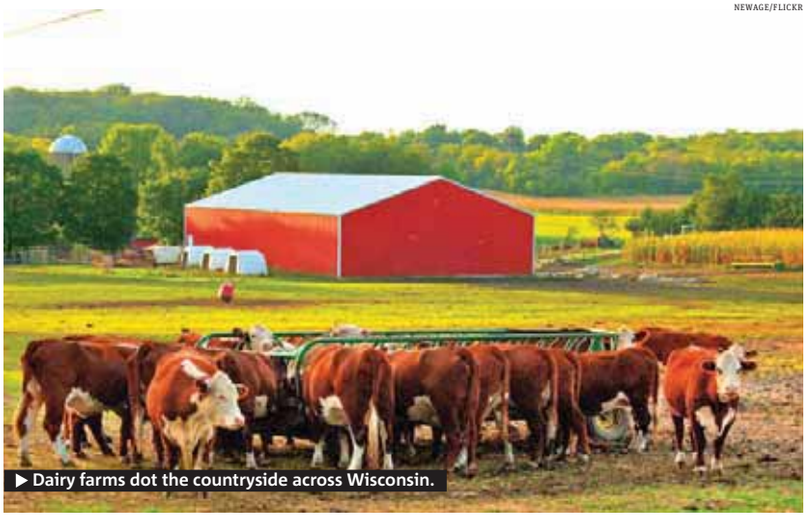

▶ Dairy farms dot the countryside across Wisconsin.

### Curd Day

Among the many listings on the map is Curd Day. That salty, moist funky little nugget of squeaky goodness comes in simple flavours like cheddar, all the way to savoury dill and garlic and burn-your-mouth jalapeno.

On the first Saturday of every month, curds are celebrated at Beechwood Cheese Company, a tiny creamery that is more than 100 years old located in the Kettle Moraine, a region of glacier-made ponds and lakes in Sheboygan County. Every first Saturday of every month, the cheesemaker makes close to 1,000 kilograms of curds, and its tiny store connected to the factory is descended upon by cheese-o-philes. They sometimes drive for hours to attend and have to wait outside just to get in.

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▶ Beechwood Cheese Company celebrates the deliciousness of the cheese curd on the first Saturday of every month.

### Meet your cheesemakers

There's something to see and eat every day at Wisconsin's cheesemakers. Get there early in the morning, just as the cheese is being made, for the freshest and the best. You are never far from one in Wisconsin.

Carr Valley Cheese hosts a growing number of cheese tourists at its seven retail stores and factories, said Sid Cook, master cheesemaker, owner and operator.

"There'll be licence plates from seven or eight different states at a time, and maybe 10 places to park.

"It gets to be a bit of a jungle," he said of Carr Valley's flagship location in La Valle, located in central Wisconsin.

He realized years ago that not everyone visiting was a local, so he started selling coolers to help transport the cheesy bounty home.

More stringent food safety requirements have put an end to factory tours, but visitors can see most of the functions of his three plants through large windows.

There is always someone available to answer questions, and just as importantly, to dole out samples.

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# Savoury apple sensations

## Apple Cheddar Puffs prove this fruit has a place at the dinner table Serve as appetizers

**Apple Cheddar Puffs**
**Preparation:**

1 Heat oven to 220 C (425 F). Line 2 baking sheets with parchment paper.

2 In saucepan over medium-high, heat water, butter and salt until boiling. Add flour and stir vigorously with wooden spoon until mix comes away from sides of pan and forms a ball of dough, about 1 min.

3 Transfer dough to bowl of electric mixer. Mix with paddle attachment 1 min. Add eggs, one at a time, waiting until fully incorporated before adding next. When all of the eggs are incorporated, mix in cheese.

4 Spoon mix into large zip-close bag with corner cut off. Gently squeeze to create walnut-size mounds on prepared baking sheets, leaving 5 cm (2 inches) between each mound. Bake 10 mins, then reduce oven temp. to 190 C (375 F) and bake for another 15 minutes or until golden brown.

5 Remove puffs from oven and pierce side of each to allow steam to escape. Let cool.

6 While puffs bake, make filling. In saucepan over medium-high, cook apples, sugar, ginger, lemon juice, salt and 30 ml (2 tbsp) of water just until apples tender, about 6 mins. In glass, stir remaining 30 ml (2 tbsp) water and cornstarch, add to apples. Bring to simmer and cook just until mi thickens, 1 to 2 mins. Let cool before using.

7 To fill puffs, cut each in half horizontally. Spoon small amount of filling into bottom of shell, replace top half of shell. Serve warm.

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### Ingredients:

**Puffs**
- 250 ml (1 cup) water
- 90 ml (6 tbsp) unsalted butter
- 5 ml (1 tsp) salt
- 325 ml (1 1/3 cup) all-purpose flour
- 5 eggs
- 250 ml (1 cup) grated extra-sharp cheddar cheese

**Filling**
- 4 Golden Delicious apples, peeled, cored and diced
- 90 ml (1/4 cup) sugar
- 5 ml (1 tsp) grated fresh ginger
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) lemon juice
- Pinch salt
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) water, divided
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) cornstarch

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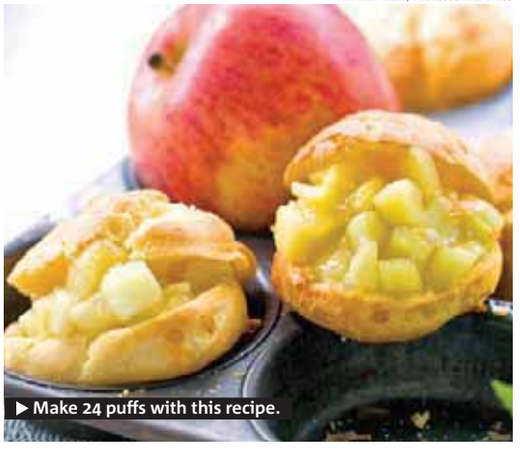

▶ Make 24 puffs with this recipe.

### Drink of the week

**Earl Grey Peach Bubbly**

- 2 cups (500 mL) water
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) Earl Grey loose tea leaves
- 1 1/2 cups (375 mL) peaches (sliced, peeled, pitted)
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) honey
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) grated lemon rind
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) lemon juice
- 1 bottle (750 mL) carbonated mineral water

In saucepan bring water to boil. Add tea leaves; steep 5 mins. Let cool slightly.

Strain tea into blender; discard tea leaves. Add peach slices and honey. Blend until smooth. Add lemon rind and juice. Cover and refrigerate until cold.

Pour mix into pitcher; add mineral water. Refrigerate until ready to use.

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# Start the search in September. Seriously.

## STUDENT VOICE

**TOMMY TAM**
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Most college and university students start their summer job search in February. But actually, job searching much earlier — in September — can lead to summer employment.

In the beginning of September 2010, I began looking for work-study positions at my university. The Federal Work-Study Program allows students like me to gain some extra cash while still putting school as their first priority.

The program restricts students to a maximum of 12 working hours per week and usually runs from September to early March.

▶ Tommy Tam knows first-hand what staying ahead of the pack can do for the career-minded student.

After sending my resumé and cover letter to a few work-study positions, I was invited for an interview and was granted the position of Research Assistant at the Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation (HPME).

I truly enjoyed my time and my work with the professor and her team, but found myself searching for a summer job as April 2011 came around.

To my surprise, my professor offered to hire me from May to August, as a summer student with her team.

And even more amazing than that, I was accepted as a graduate student in that same department! Searching for jobs early on in September really paid off.

Based on my experience, I would recommend career centres continue actively promoting and advertising the Federal Work-Study Program so that students can be informed of these types of opportunities.

The Federal Work-Study Program has worked wonders for my career and I sincerely hope that it will do the same for others as well.

I also hope that my fellow students learn how important it is to start your job search early, in September when companies are hiring students who are going to graduate that year. Students often start their job search in February or even later on in the year but I hope I can encourage students to start their job searches as early as possible.

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### What I learned

**Key take-aways from Tommy's experience:**

- Don't leave job-searching to the last minute. If you want a job after graduation, then start applying when employers are hiring: in September.
- Networking is vital to landing any job — if employers can put a face to a name, you'll stand out from the numerous resumés they receive every day.

### Where Tommy is now

I am currently a graduate student at the Department of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation (HPME), the same department where I held a work-study position.

# A professor's novel reading list

Along with all the new freedoms of the first year of college, there are typically pangs of frustration and fear. After prodding countless English departments, we've come up with a novel list: three classic works that speak to the soul of a transitioning young adult.

**Me Talk Pretty One Day** by David Sedaris

In 27 short works, the author explores his family roots, while also noting how these memories affect his judgment in day-to-day struggles. "What our struggling freshman needs right now is a good laugh," says Rosemary Graham, professor of English at Saint Mary's College of California.

**Invisible Man**
by Ralph Ellison

Invisible Man is the classic tale of a young African-American's search for identity amidst a sea of prejudice. Lars Larson, professor of English at the University of Portland, says, "students, newly on their own and on the hunt for an identity, will find an easy kinship with the nameless narrator."

**The Left Hand of Darkness** by Ursula K. Le Guin

Darkness is a seminal work amongst tweedy sci-fi readers. "[The protagonist's] adventures are concerned primarily with otherness," says Davis Schneiderman, professor of English at Lake Forest College. "He's someone from the outside having to navigate a daunting set of foreign social codes."

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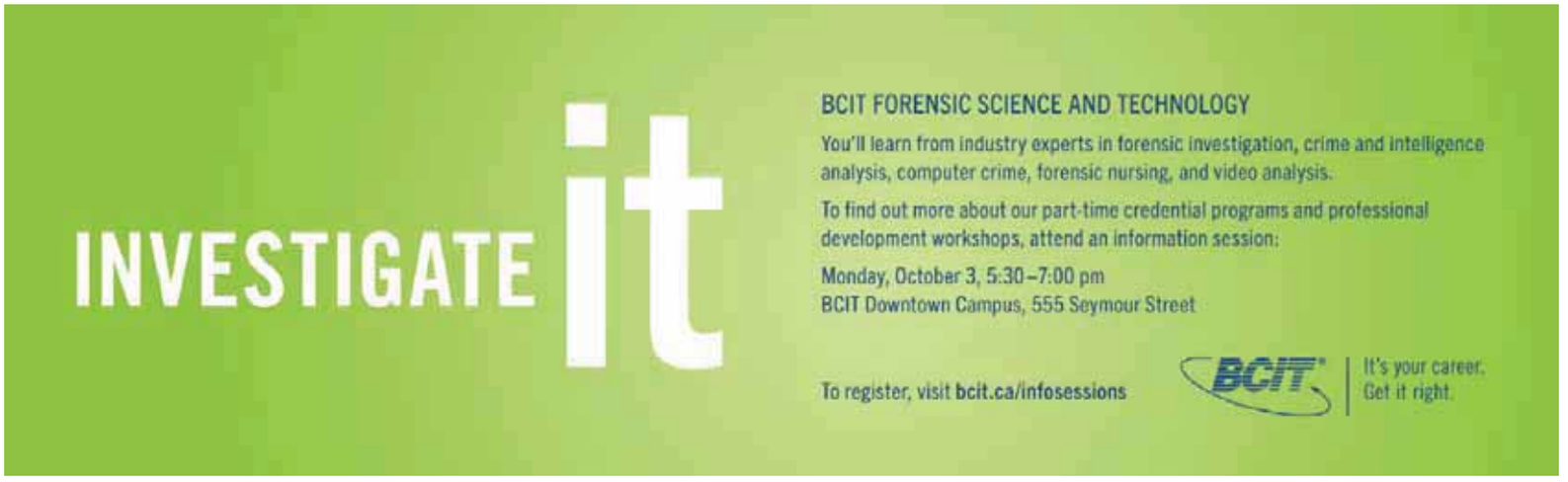
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# Don't dream it, go out and do it!

## Canada's fearless survivorman Les Stroud shares four tips on how to turn your greatest aspirations into reality

When Les Stroud was a young boy, he'd play outside of his family cottage in northern Ontario, building shelters and pretending to sleep in the wilderness.

Though he always went home at night, a seed of a dream was born.

Decades later, with a wildly successful television show that's taken him to all corners of the world, Stroud says the fact that he never let go of his passion helped him realize his dream.

"I didn't want to be a TV star; I didn't want to be rich. I wanted to do what I do and touch people in a positive way," he says.

Stroud, like 73 per cent of Canadians, did not have a mentor, but believes that having someone to guide him would have made a world of difference. As such, Stroud is perfectly poised to serve as a mentor in the American Express Room for Thought program, an initiative that will see three big ideas turned into action next month.

If you're also yearning to turn your dream into reality, consider these tips to get you started.

LAURA BOMBIER

▶ Les Stroud of Outdoor Life Network's Survivorman

**Set goals — and keep them front and centre**

A big dream is unlikely to be something you can do in a day. You don't decide to climb Mount Everest and then fly to Nepal tomorrow. The easy way to ground your dream in reality? Put it in ink. Write down what you want to accomplish (and possibly when) and put it in a place you look daily. That way you'll never forget what you're working toward.

**It's simple: Start!**

Woody Allen may have put it best when he said "80 per cent of success is showing up." A daring dream may seem daunting at first, especially when you're unsure of what steps to take right away. But if you concentrate on a simple first step, you'll be on your way. Want to start a community garden? Take a quick walk and scout for a piece of land. Do you dream of backpacking across Africa? Call a travel agent and find out what you'll need.

**Zero in on the task at hand**

There are probably a few steps along the way to realizing your dream. In order to overcome feeling overwhelmed, concentrate on the goal you're looking to meet today as opposed to one that could be a year or two away.

**Don't forget the future**

This may seem counterintuitive to the last piece of advice, but ultimately remembering the end goal will help you stay on track. That's why writing down your dream was Tip No. 1: It serves as a daily touchstone to remind you of what you want.

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# WORKPLACE WINNERS

## WORKPLACE LAW

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Last week I introduced you to my favourite workplace "losers"; those people who just love to fail, and why their idiosyncrasies often cost them their own cases. But Canadian workplaces have a number of "winners" as well. These people play the game right and they often come out ahead. Here are some of their winning attributes:

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▶ While a quarrelsome nature may be lurking in the background, a workplace winner knows how to keep things cool and professional when faced with a fickle confrontation.

**The Peacemaker**
Companies do not value employees who create or participate in stupid arguments as much as those that avoid them. The Peacemaker understands this concept and avoids workplace quarrels, especially those between colleagues and he or she never takes sides in a meaningless dispute. Rather, the Peacemaker offers an objective opinion and unbiased advice.

**The Stoic**
Employees have a tendency to seek instant gratification, usually to their own detriment. When they are denied a raise or a promotion, most will complain and they will do so immediately. The problem with them, however, is not what they say it is when they say it. But the Stoic is different. He or she is cool under pressure and patient when it matters most. More importantly, the Stoic understands when not to complain.

**The Opportunist**
In law, just like in life, timing is everything. The Opportunist knows this concept well and lurks for an opportunity to take advantage of a good situation. The Opportunist may not be the best at whatever he or she does at work but by being in the right place at the right time, they get credit from their employers.

**The Optimist**
No one likes a grouch at work. This is not news to the Optimist, because he or she is valued by an employer for their positive attitude, even if this attitude is sometimes a facade.

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# More work needs to be done

## Twice as many men occupy senior management positions compared to women, report finds

RICHARD WOODBURY
FOR METRO

Despite perceptions that women are occupying more and more senior management positions in Canada, that line of thinking was shattered by a recent Conference Board of Canada report.

"We didn't expect the gap to be fully closed, but I think we expected to see more progress than there was," says Ruth Wright.

She oversaw the research for the report that analyzed Statistics Canada data from 1987 to 2009 and found that despite a steady increase in female labour participation, "the proportion of women in senior management positions has virtually flatlined," says the report.

In 2009, twice as many men occupied senior management positions compared to women, although women held about 48 per cent of all jobs in Canada.

Dr. Janni Aragon, the chair of the academic women's caucus at the University of Victoria, thinks higher education could help improve the situation.

"We need to get more women and other marginalized groups into the masters programs, not only business administration, the executive MBA programs, but also MPA (Masters of Public Administration) programs," she says.

Currently, only about one-third of MBAs received in Canada are earned by women.

Catherine Hakim, a sociologist at the London School of Economics, has a controversial solution to help with the problem. In her new book, Erotic Capital: The Power of Attractiveness in the Boardroom and the Bedroom, she says social and physical attractiveness affect all aspects of people's lives, so it is something that should be utilized in the workplace.

"Both men and women who are good-looking, dress well, keep fit, and have elegant social manners, charm and charisma are more agreeable colleagues, clients, business contacts and managers, and have better working relationships," she writes in an email.

"They sell ideas, policies, products and services more easily, and make their enterprises more profitable."

She says "patriarchal ideology has belittled women who are attractive as stupid or superficial. Unfortunately, many feminists adopted the same ideas."

Hakim says that with economies being driven more and more by the service sector and white-collar positions, social skills are becoming more important in professional and managerial jobs.

### The right tools

**Women bring many** important skills to today's workplace, such as being respectful of others, which is crucial in an increasingly diverse workforce. Women also tend to put others needs before their own, but there are many more key skills they possess. "They are nurturers who are excellent at helping their colleagues develop," Peggy Cunningham, the dean of management at Dalhousie University, wrote in an email. "They are collaborative and tend to work with and empower others."

**34.5**
**Percentage of MBAs earned by women in Canada in 2010-11. Source: catalyst.org.**

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# A focus on diversity

## International students choosing Canada for studies

JON TATTRIE
FOR METRO

As the U.S. economy struggles and the country tightens its immigration policies, more and more international business students are choosing to study in Canada.

Kerri Regan, MBA program manager at the Queen's School of Business, says up to 45 per cent of its students come from outside of Canada. The top countries are India and China, but Queen's also actively recruits from Brazil, Columbia, Peru, Mexico, Taiwan, South Korea and Europe.

"Canada is perceived as being a multicultural environment," she says. "That's definitely a draw — that focus on diversity."

Canada recently made its visa rules for students more welcoming, so, many international students make the country a destination, planning to work for at least a few years after graduation. Some intend to move permanently to Canada.

"Salaries are higher, the return (on investment) is easier to achieve," Regan explains.

Other students are looking to gain as much experience as they can and then take it back home.

International MBA students only pay a little more in tuition than Canadian students, so, for the university the big draw is bringing a global perspective to the classroom.

Elango Elangovan, a business professor at the University of Victoria's Gustavson School of Business and head of its head of international programs, says about 30 per cent of his students come from outside of Canada.

"Canada has a very good reputation internationally as a place to go for quality education," he says.

Many international students want to study in English, the default language for global business, and opt for Canada's strong economy and more open immigration rules.

The influx is excellent for Canadian students, too, Elangovan says, because they can build an international perspective by having students from around the world in the same classroom.

"There are multiple advantages," Elangovan says. "We are acutely aware that being a Canadian business leader is the equal of saying you want to be a global business leader. We can bring the world to the University of Victoria. We want to create a classroom environment that has a mini-UN feel to it."

### More accessible

- **While the U.K. and U.S.** have tightened immigration laws, Canada has become more accessible. In 2008, the federal government extended the post-graduate work permit to three years. The student's husband or wife is also allowed to work.
- **Claire Gumus of the** University of Toronto says this is a big appeal. "I was in China last week and I did two panels to discuss 'Why Canada?' Most of the Chinese participants were interested in immigration," she says.

# Apply the two-year rule for applications

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When applying to graduate school, work experience is not typically a primary criterion for acceptance.

With MBAs, however, work experience is up there with your GMAT scores and undergrad GPA in terms of importance for entrance requirements. Without the required full-time work experience, some schools won't consider the application.

The rule of thumb for MBA work experience requirements is two years of full-time work experience. The rationale behind this requirement is that students bring their prior experience and knowledge to the classroom to share with their peers.

Additionally, schools want students to demonstrate that they really want to pursue a career in business, which is why good grades only get you so far in the application process.

Overall, business schools recommend and often require experience for the benefit of the student, with the reasoning that they want their graduates to take away the most they possibly can from their MBA.

If you definitely want to pursue an MBA and do not possess the required work experience, contact the admissions department for your school(s) of choice to discuss admissions criteria to see what your options are.

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# Choosing an MBA requires balance

A full-time MBA program usually lasts between one and two years and is an intense process. Maintaining a balance between school, work and home life can be difficult.

Leah Ray, managing director of the MBA program at Saint Mary's University in Halifax, says students have to be prepared to make sacrifices.

"I give students the advice that there are three things in your life: Work, home life and school. You can do two really well. They have to realize if you're taking too much on in every aspect, you're not likely to do as well in any of those aspects."

More and more MBA students are solving that crunch by studying part time.

"A lot of students are choosing to stay working, with the way the economy is. People are just happy to have a job — they may be looking for education to further that job, but we've noticed a real shift," Ray says.

> **"Living the life is blended into the learning itself. We do our best to make sure balance is there."**
> ELANGO ELANGOVAN, UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA PROFESSOR

If fall is a busy time at work, part-time students can drop back to one class that semester and pick up the pace during quieter times.

Elango Elangovan, a business professor at the University of Victoria, says many of his students want to dedicate 80 or 90 per cent of their energy toward studying.

"The work-life balance is pretty subjective," he says. "Students coming into this program recognize this is a pretty intensive learning experience and that you come prepared to allocate the time that's needed."

The university tries to make the program itself balanced, offering time with mentors, time in the community and work experiences. "Living the life is blended into the learning itself," Elangovan says. "We do our best to make sure balance is there."

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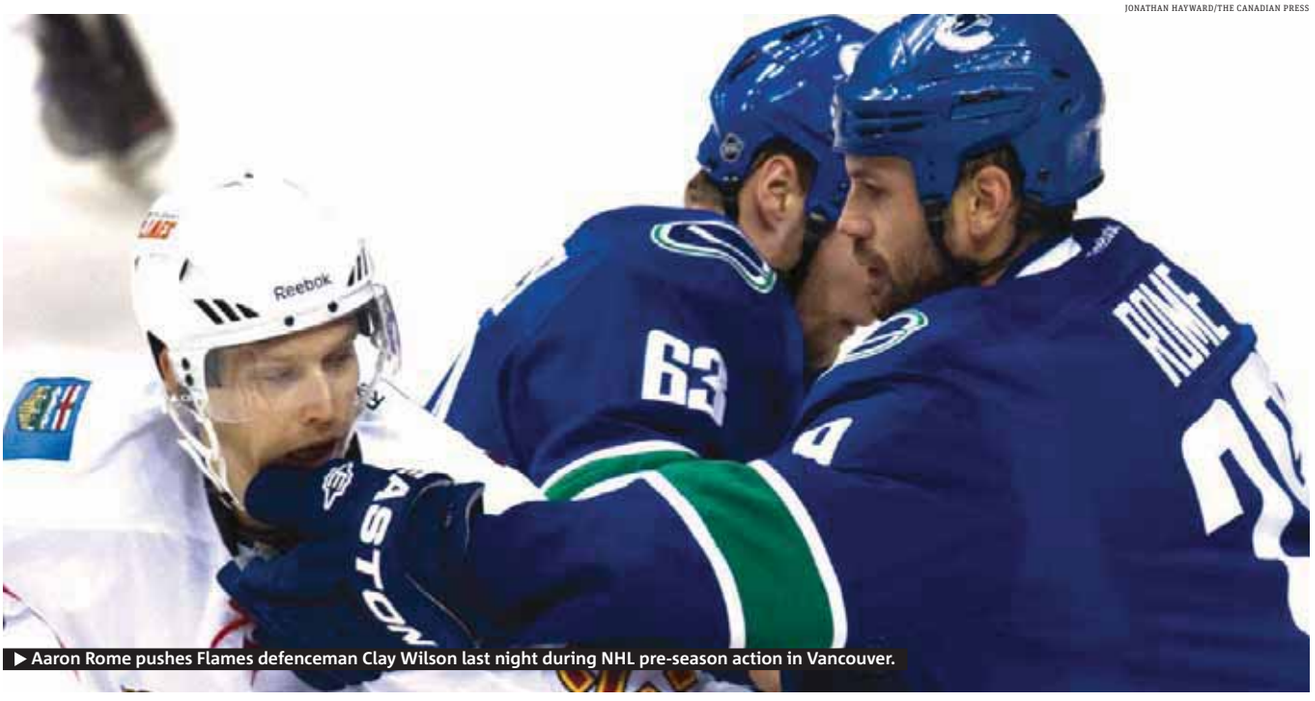

▶ Aaron Rome pushes Flames defenceman Clay Wilson last night during NHL pre-season action in Vancouver.

# Something left to prove

## Sedins hope to erase disappointment over their performance in Stanley Cup final

The hockey season hasn't started for real yet but Daniel Sedin has already bettered twin brother Henrik.

Daniel had the highest score among Vancouver Canuck players in a fitness test the team uses as a yardstick to measure conditioning.

"As long as I beat Henrik I'm happy," Daniel said at the Canucks training camp. "That's all I care about."

Daniel had extra motivation.

Henrik had beaten him in the VO2 test last year. The test measures the maximum capacity of a body to transport and use oxygen during exercise.

Dealing with the disappointment of losing to the Boston Bruins in last spring's Stanley Cup final is another reason the brothers from Ornskoldsvik, Sweden, worked so hard training this summer.

The Sedins struggled in the seven-game final. Daniel, who won the NHL regular-season scoring title, had one goal and three assists. Henrik, who led the playoffs with 19 assists, didn't manage one against the Bruins.

"In a series where you're not doing what you are capable of, that's a tough thing," said Henrik, the Canucks captain.

"That makes you work harder in the summer time to get back into good shape."

There are several reasons why the Bruins managed to shut down the twins. Boston had a hot goaltender and the Bruins played a physical game that broke up the brothers' passing.

But at the end of the day, two of Vancouver's best players were not good enough when it counted.

"We still haven't won it all and that's what we have to do," said Henrik. "That means you have prove you can go all the way.

"That's what we are going to try to do."

Entering their 11th season in the NHL, the Sedins have evolved into two of the most dominant players in the league. Not the biggest or fastest men on the ice, they might be the most confident in their ability.

"It's more knowing the game," said centre Henrik. "That's what we have learned in the past couple of years.

"There are always things you can improve on. (Taking) shots, some things you want to (improve) on the power play. There's stuff you can do to get out of the corners better or setting picks. It's mainly knowing the game."

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**Last night**

**Rookie Nicklas Jensen scored the go-ahead goal and had an assist in his first NHL pre-season game, as the Canucks beat the Calgary Flames 4-3 in Vancouver last night.**

▶ A split squad of Canucks and Flames also faced off in Calgary where the Flames won 5-1.

**Quoted**

**"Only two gods know, Jerry's God and the real God know what my future is going to be here."**

CHICAGO WHITE SOX MANAGER OZZIE GUILLEN YESTERDAY ON WHETHER WHITE SOX CHAIRMAN JERRY REINSDORF WILL LET HIM KNOW ABOUT A CONTRACT EXTENSION BEFORE HE LEAVES THE COUNTRY AFTER THE MLB SEASON. GUILLEN HAS ONE YEAR LEFT ON HIS DEAL AND SAYS HE DOES NOT WANT TO BE A LAME-DUCK MANAGER GOING INTO 2012.

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# Winnipeg welcomes new Jets

They came, they cheered and they screamed "Go Jets go" as a 15-year separation between Winnipeg and NHL hockey was put on ice last night as the Jets made their return with a 6-1 win.

It was just an exhibition game against the Columbus Blue Jackets and a split-squad one at that. Columbus also won their half of the series at home 5-1.

But the smallest arena in the league was packed with 15,004 jersey-wearing, ecstatic fans who screamed their lungs out at the MTS Centre.

They had lots to cheer. The first fight erupted less than a minute in and Winnipeg's first goal was scored by Paul Postma within the first eight minutes.

And Jets top draft pick Mark Scheifle scored twice and had two assists.

"It was heartbreaking to lose them and to get them back like this is extremely exciting," said Kevin Francis, who attended the game with his son John.

"I couldn't be happier," said Francis, one of many who lined up and arrived more than an hour early.

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GOLF

# Weir wants to be back before Masters

Mike Weir is facing a long road to recovery from surgery, but still hopes to return to the PGA Tour before next year's Masters.

The lefty from Bright's Grove, Ont., told reporters on a conference call yesterday he's hoping to play a couple events before next year's first major in April.

Weir said he'll need to be patient during recovery and won't rush back to action.

The 41-year-old had the extensor tendon in his right elbow repaired on Aug. 18.

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## Motor

The iMiEV's 49-kilowatt (66-horsepower) electric motor is located in the rear and directs its 145 pound-feet of torque to the rear wheels.

The iMiEV's top speed is 130 km/h, but driving at that velocity for any length of time will quickly sap its 330-volt lithium-ion battery pack positioned beneath the passenger floor.

Mitsubishi places the typical range at about 135 kilometres per charge, less than the 160 kilometres claimed by the Nissan Leaf and other electrics.

## Charge time

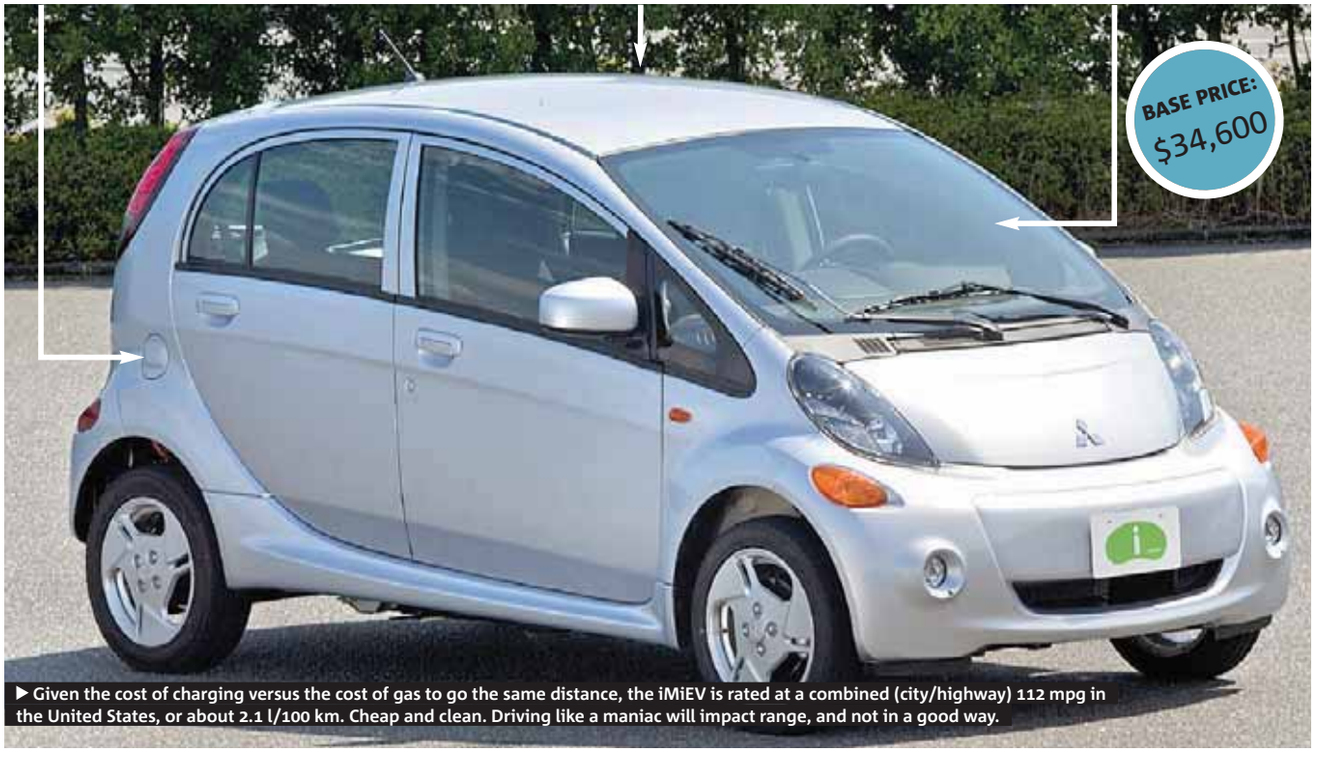
A 240-volt home charging system will top up the iMiEV in about six hours. Plug it into a regular 120-volt home outlet, however, and it's an agonizingly-long 22.5 hours. That doesn't leave much time in the day for driving.

What will eventually be needed is a network of public charging stations that allow all electric vehicle owners to top up the batteries in the shortest possible time.

## Space

The iMiEV's true purpose is abundantly clear: a short-haul urban commuter pod that can also tackle more mundane chores.

It will easily accommodate four adults as long as they're packing light. However with only the front seats in use, cargo capacity with the 50:50 rear seatbacks folded flat matches the space available in the larger Nissan Leaf.




▶ Given the cost of charging versus the cost of gas to go the same distance, the iMiEV is rated at a combined (city/highway) 112 mpg in the United States, or about 2.1 l/100 km. Cheap and clean. Driving like a maniac will impact range, and not in a good way.

# Lean, green cuisine

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There's a revolution under way, and it's being fought with volts and kilowatts. This is the new-age arsenal of which those shopping for electrically powered automobiles such as Mitsubishi's iMiEV will become increasingly familiar.

The iMiEV hatchback that's scheduled to arrive here in late 2011 joins the all-electric Nissan Leaf and Tesla roadster plus the gasoline-supported Chevrolet Volt as pioneers in the automotive clean-energy movement. Additional models, including the Mini E and Smart Fortwo Electric, are currently (pun intended) in limited production, while Ford's Transit Connect van and compact Focus will become electrified for the 2012 model year. Other automakers, both large and small, have similar plans to join the electric motorpool.

At this point, the iMiEV will be one of the smallest electrical offerings to be mass produced for general consumption. But in terms of accommodations and price, it should prove to be one of the more attractive.

The lightweight (1,180 kilograms) and efficiently designed iMiEV is bound to succeed on price alone. The fact that its minimalist and futuristic styling will play well with the eco crowd should help keep Mitsubishi's green machine solidly in the black right from the outset.

Revolution? Ready, aim, charge.

5 drive

**By comparison**

**Ford Focus Electric**
Base price: $39,000 (est.)
2012 model with a claimed three-to-four-hour charge time, 123 horsepower.

**Chevrolet Volt**
Base price: $43,000
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Taking a place above the Grand Cherokee in the Jeep brand's product line-up, the Commander was available from 2006 to 2010 inclusive. Based on the Grand Cherokee, it was blockier looking, bigger, and boasted three rows of seating and room for seven occupants.

Commander packed plenty of capability and traction on the road less travelled with the Quadra Drive II 4x4 system on board.

Look for features like heated leather seats, navigation, a driver computer, parking sensors, power accessories, remote entry, a sunroof and plenty more.

## 2006 to 2010 Jeep Commander

## Engine

Look for a 3.7-litre V-6 with 210 horsepower, or a 4.7-litre V-8 with 235 horsepower until 2008, and 305 horsepower thereafter. Chrysler's 5.7-litre HEMI V-8 with 330 or 357 horsepower was also available, depending on the year. All models got an automatic transmission.

## What owners like

Owners praise the stereo system, interior and exterior styling, and performance with the HEMI V-8. A comfortable ride, towing power, the braking system and Commander's off-road capability are also highly rated.

## What owners dislike

Comfort and space in the Commander's second and third seating rows are common gripes, as is fuel economy and rearward visibility.

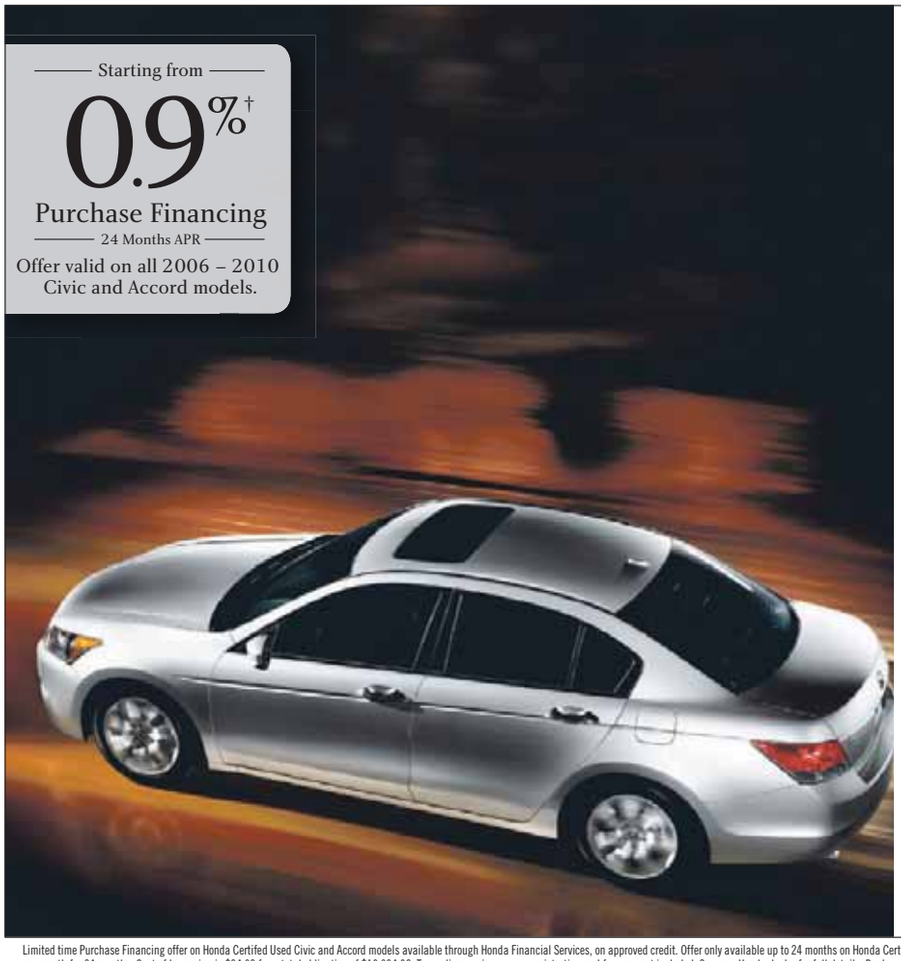
## Common issues

Some issues have been reported with electronics, suspension and other systems by owners in online forums, though a Jeep mechanic should be able to check for and diagnose any of the Commander's common problems.

One such problem is a random engine stall-out situation that poses a safety risk. This could be caused by a transmission fluid filter or overly sensitive ignition switch. Ask the vehicle's seller if they've ever experienced this sort of problem.

## Verdict

It's primarily styling, towing ability and off-road capability that will draw used vehicle shoppers to the Commander. If you're looking for good fuel mileage, you'd best move to another model.

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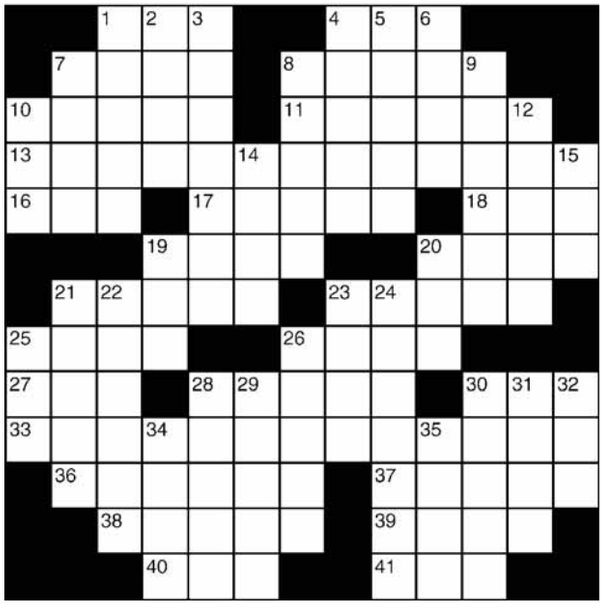

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13 Breakfast choice
16 Historic time
17 Sensational
18 Winter ailment
19 Dilbert's workplace
20 Blood line?
21 Sports-page datum
23 Expositions
25 Greek H's
26 Senate employee
27 Actor Danson
28 Handy
30 Shock and —
33 Quahog
36 Throw off the track
37 Novelist Bret Easton —
38 Zodiac dozen
39 Chimney dust
40 "Married ... With Children" mom
41 James Bond, e.g.

**Down**

1 Legendary catcher
2 Desert-like
3 Casino patron
4 Tex-Mex entree
5 Lubricated
6 Crossword diagram
7 Wound reminder
8 Smug look
9 Illicit cigarette
10 That woman
12 Wrinkly fruits
14 English river
15 Pistol
19 Two, in Tijuana
20 Compete
21 Lieu
22 Core groups
23 Succumb to gravity
24 Eternal
25 Biblical verb suffix
26 Brooklyn-based beer brand
28 Grammarian's concern
29 Addams Family's "hired hand"
30 Metallic blend
31 Be patient
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35 Hoofbeat sound

▶ Yesterday's answer

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## How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

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James, I still miss you like crazy! I really hope you come back on the route again, still downtown working(since July)...its been forever since I saw you, hope your well! Missing you!! **LONELY BUSRIDER**

Hey Moon, you can't hide from me. Why are you hiding behind that cloud? Can you please let my love know that she is always in my mind? And I love her so much. Give me some sunny days to cheer her up. Tell her to be happy **SUN**

Andy H., Dear Bubby, You are the best thing that happen to me. You are an amazing boyfriend and i'm so glad were together. Through thick and thin were still together, strong. I'll always have your back and always love you. I'll miss you when you leave to go to Egypt. xoxo **YOUR GIRLFRIEND KIM T**

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## Today's horoscope

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**♈ Aries March 21-April 20** If you are thinking of making changes, consult partners and colleagues.

**♉ Taurus April 21-May 21** The good times just seem to go on and on. Enjoy yourself by all means but think of the future, too.

**♊ Gemini May 22-June 21** In days, your luck will turn and you'll wonder why you doubted that the good times would soon be back.

**♋ Cancer June 22-July 22** If you let other people order you around, they'll get the impression you're powerless. Stand up for yourself.

**♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23** Someone will make an attempt to part you from your cash. He or she will succeed if you let down your guard.

**♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22** Any projects you started that are not completed can be abandoned.

**♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23** Your self-confidence may have taken a few knocks but don't let it worry you. You'll be at your best soon.

**♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22** How you think determines how you feel, and how you feel determines your everyday reality.

**♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21** People in authority will look kindly on you today. That's great.

**♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20** Recent triumphs have done wonders for your confidence. Now, you will be tested like never before.

**♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18** By week's end, many of your problems will resolve themselves.

**♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20.** If you need to make changes to a partnership, do so before the Sun changes signs on Friday.

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